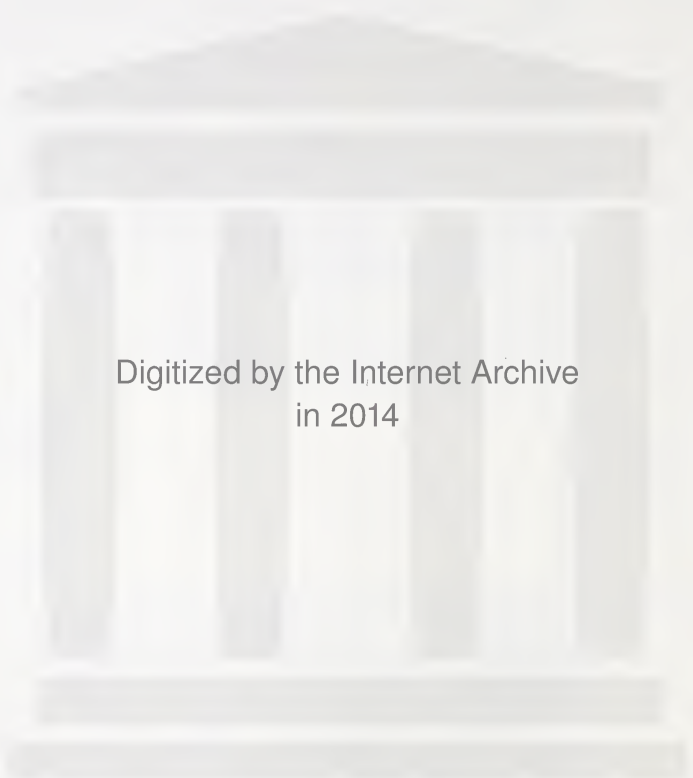






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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OF CHESTER,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
FEBRUARY 15, 1895.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, OVERSEER  POOR,

TOWN TREASURER, TOWN CLERK, ROAD AGENTS,
SCHOOL BOARD, LIBRARY TRUSTEES
AND AUDITORS.

FOR THE

TOWN OF CHESTER,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1895.

DERRY, N. H.:

CHARLES BARTLETT, PRINTER,
BANK BUILDING, MAIN STREET.

1895.

TOWN WARRANT.

[L. S.] STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE:

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester qualified to vote in town affairs;

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on the Second Tuesday of March next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects :

- I. To choose all necessary town officers and agents for the year ensuing.
- II. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools. for the maintenance of the poor, for the laying out and repairing highways, and building and repairing bridges, for paying the town debts and defraying interest thereon, and for other necessary charges arising in in said town.
- III. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- IV. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide a suitable place for the public library.
- V. To see see if the town will vote to raise an additional sum of money to purchase books for the public library.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1894.

MODERATOR—Arthur L. Emerson.

TOWN CLERK—Cyrus F. Marston.

SELECTMEN—Martin Mills, George D. Rand, Augustus P. Morse.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR—George D. Rand.

TOWN TREASURER—George S. West.

ROAD AGENTS—Carlos W. Noyes, James E. McCannon, Charles H. Smith.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—Arthur H. Wilcomb.

SCHOOL BOARD—Jennie P. Hazelton, Edwin C. Goodwin, Cyrus F. Marston.

TREASURER OF SCHOOL BOARD—George S. West.

REPRESENTATIVE—Arthur H. Wilcomb.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES—James G. Robertson, Addison A. Bean, Albert F. B. Edwards.

CONSTABLES—James E. McCannon, Edwin P. Jones, Arthur H. Wilcomb, William H. West.

SUPERVISORS—Alonzo A. West, George L. Converse, Albert F. B. Edwards.

AUDITORS—Addison A. Bean, Cyrus F. Marston, James A. Hooke.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY, 15th, 1895.

INVOICE.

Land and buildings	.	.	\$294127 00
No polls 223	.	.	22,300 00
Horses 244	.	.	16,068 00
Oxen 24	.	.	1,010 00
Cows 344	.	.	7,612 00
Other neat stock 78	.	.	1,634 00
Sheep 116	.	.	206 00
Hogs 5	.	.	46 00
Carriages 7	.	.	490 00
Bank Stock	.	.	5,200 00
Money at interest	.	.	8,325 00
Stock in trade	.	.	8,350 00
Mills	.	.	4,300 00
			\$369,668 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

State tax	.	.	\$1,075 00
County tax	.	.	1,065 49
Town tax	.	.	1 00
Highway tax	.	.	1,000 00

School tax required by law	.	.	860 00	
Additional school money raised by tax	.	.	300 00	
For moving school house	.	.	100 00	
For public library	.	.	35 00	
Overlay	.	.	184 34	
Tax omitted	.	.	5 00	
				\$4,625 83
Total amount on collector's book	.	.		\$4,625 83
Rate per cent of taxation on \$100.00				\$1.25

AMOUNT OF SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount required by law	.	.	860 00	
Additional amount raised by tax	.	.	300 00	
Literary fund	.	.	204 13	
Balance of dog license for 1893	.	.	98 77	
				\$1,462 90

The selectmen and overseer of the poor
have given orders on the treasurer
for the payment of the following
bills, amounting to . . . \$4,260 59

ROAD AGENTS' EXPENSES.

FOR LABOR AND LUMBER FOR HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Carlos W. Noyes	.	.	\$380 14	
James E. McCannon	.	.	340 47	
Charles H. Smith	.	.	310 89	
				\$1,031 50

BREAKING ROADS.

1894.

Mar. 29, paid George S. West, road agent,	
1893	\$45 73
June 9, paid George S. West, road agent,	
1893	39 08
12, paid C. W. Neiley in dist. No. 5,	
for 1893	2 55
29, paid James E. McCannon, road	
agent 1894	1 06

1895.

Feb. 16, paid George S. West, road agent	
for 1893	5 89
16, paid C. W. Noyes, road agent	
for 1894	69 99
16, paid C. H. Smith, road agent for	
1894	53 51
16, paid James A. Hooke, breaking	
roads, 1893	1 16
16, paid James E. McCannon, road	
agent for 1894	41 25
16, paid George S. West, road agent	
for 1893	7 43
18, paid James E. McCannon	6 73
21, paid James E. McCannon	16 98
	\$291 36

SCHOOL MONEY.

1894.

June 29, paid George S. West, treasurer	
of school board,	\$500 00
Nov. 22, paid George S. West, treasurer	
of school board	962 90
	\$1,462 90

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

1894.			
Dec. 22,	paid school board	.	\$51 44
1895.			
Feb. 16,	paid school board	.	50 52
23,	paid school board	.	1 58
			\$103 54

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

1894.			
Apr. 24,	paid Temple & Farrington Co.,		
	for collector's and invoice books		\$10 00
June 21,	paid Charles Bartlett, printing		
	500 reports	.	39 00
Oct. 28,	paid Charles Bartlett, printing		
	town warrants	.	1 00
1895.			
Feb. 16,	paid Charles Bartlett, printing		
	20 annual town warrants	.	1 50
16,	paid A. H. Wilcomb for 800 tax		
	bills,	.	1 30
			\$52 80

PUBLIC WATERING TROUGHS.

1894.			
Sep. 3,	paid Martin Mills for lengthening		
	the pipe and cleaning the spring		
	near Mrs. Carr's	.	\$3 25
Dec. 22,	paid Ebenezer Marden for fur-		
	nishing public watering trough		3 00
			\$6 25

MEMORIAL DAY.

1894.			
May 28,	paid Edward J. Robie	.	\$50 00
			\$50 00

DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

1894.

Aug. 27, paid Arthur H. Wilcomb for discount on taxes paid on our before Aug. 1	\$62 13
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COLLECTING TAXES.

1894.

Dec. 22, paid Arthur H. Wilcomb balance due on list of 1893	\$15 36
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1895.

Feb. 2, paid Arthur H. Wilcomb on list 1894	51 35	
		\$66 71

ABATEMENT ON TAXES.

1895.

Feb. 2, paid Arthur H. Wilcomb on list 1893 :		
James M. Hook, left town	1 25	
Dana Seavey, unable	1 25	
George Dennis, paid in Manchester	1 25	
Arthur Underhill, wrong tax,	1 55	
		\$5 30

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

1894.

June 29, paid Addison A. Bean, treasurer,	75 00
July 2, paid " " " "	11 38
Sept. 5, paid James G. Robertson, balance library money	18 62
	\$105 00

BOUNTY ON HAWKS.

1895.

Feb. 27, paid Martin Mills for 35 hawks,	\$8 75	
paid George D. Rand, 7 hawks,	1 75	
paid Augustus P. Morse 4 hawks,	1 00	
		\$11 50

REPAIRS ON TOWN HALL.

June 16, paid Austin Flint & Day Co. for		
1 door and 13 pair blinds and		
fixtures	\$21 98	
25, paid C. A. Nichols for painting		
town hall and fitting and		
painting blinds	42 00	
Dec. 22, paid C. S. Wilcomb & Son, for		
paint, oil &c. for town hall. .	49 23	
22, paid James Gerah for hanging		
door in town hall	75	
		\$113 96

CARE OF CEMETERY.

1894.

Dec. 22, paid Robert H. Hazelton .	\$8 00
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CARE AND ATTENDANCE WITH HEARSE.

Paid Alonzo A. West for the following :

Feb. 18, Asahel Weeks	\$2 00
Mar. 10, Harriett M. Clark	2 00
31, Zacheus Shirley,	2 00
April 9, Mrs. William True	2 00
May 26, Mrs. Sarah G. Hall	2 00
July 2, Newton G. Steele	2 00
Aug. 14, Delbert Butterfield	2 00
Sept. 17, Frank E. Leighton	2 00

Sept. 19, Almon D. Abbott . . .	2 00
Nov. 6, Mrs. Nathaniel West . . .	2 00
Dec. 8. Wallace F. Hills . . .	2 00
16, Parker Morse . . .	2 00

 \$24 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

May 10, paid George L. Sherman, painting and lettering guide boards	\$11 00
Nov. 7. paid Martin Mills for dinners furnished moderator, election officers, Nov. 6, . . .	2 50
Dec. 22, paid A. H. Wilcomb for insurance on public library . . .	2 25
22, paid James Gerah for repairing shed in 1893, to keep ladders in	1 00
22. paid J. E. McCannon for police service . . .	4 00

1895.

Jan. 18, paid W. H. West for services and expenses as dog killer . . .	10 00
Feb. 2, paid E. P. Jones for police services	4 00
2, paid Water works committee for the expenses of W. O. Dockindorff from Danvers . . .	4 25
19, paid A. H. Wilcomb, services as librarian . . .	5 00
23, paid treasurer of Cong. society for care of town clock from 1891 to 1895, . . .	20 00

 \$64 00

RETURN OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

1895.

Feb. 16, paid Rev. Edwin C. Goodwin for one marriage . . .	\$0 25
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SUPERVISORS' SERVICES.

1893.		
Dec. 22, paid Alonzo A. West	.	\$8 00
1894.		
Feb. 2, paid George L. Converse	.	8 00
5, paid Albert F. B. Edwards	.	8 00
		\$24 00

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Feb. 16, paid Jennie P. Hazelton	.	\$40 00	
paid Edwin C. Goodwin	.	29 00	
Cyrus F. Marston	.	37 25	
			\$106 25

TOWN CLERK'S SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

1894.		
Feb. 16, paid Cyrus F. Marston,	.	\$20 00

TOWN TREASURER'S SERVICES.

1894.		
Feb. 23, paid George S. West	.	\$25 00

SELECTMEN'S SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

1894.			
Feb. 23, paid Martin Mills	.	\$63 65	
paid George D. Rand	.	27 50	
Augustus P. Morse	.	32 20	
			\$123 35

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

1894.		
Feb. 23, paid George D. Rand,	.	\$39 87

AUDITORS' SERVICES.

1894.

Feb. 23, paid Addison A. Bean	.	\$2 00	
paid Cyrus F. Marston	.	2 00	
paid James A. Hooke	.	2 00	
			\$6 00

SELECTMEN AND AUDITORS' EXPENSES.

1894.

Feb. 23, paid George L. Converse	.	\$5 00	
			\$3,808 67

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN MILIS,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
GEORGE D. RAND,	
AUGUSTUS P. MORSE,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Chester.</i>

NOTICE.

All taxes assessed in the town of Chester for the year 1894, not paid on or before the first day of April next, will be advertised and collected as the law directs.

A. H. WILCOMB, *Collector.*

Chester, N. H., Feb. 15, 1895.

STATEMENT OF C. W. NOYES, ROAD AGENT.

Work done in April, 1894.

Paid E. Jones, 2 days	.	.	2 50
F. West, 10 days, 1 hour	.	.	12 62
D. M. Mitchell with team, 2 1-2 days			10 00
F. Gile, 10 days, 5 1-4 hours	.	.	13 15
Chas. Fitz, 1 day	.	.	1 25
Geo. Fitz, with team, 1 1-4 hours	.	.	50
F. C. Carr, team 1 day	.	.	4 00
C. H. Smith, with team, 3 1-2 days			24 50
W. H. West, with team, 2 1-2 days			10 00
John Hall, 1 day	.	.	1 25
H. H. Bickford, with team. 1 day, 7			
hours	.	.	4 25
G. H. Dane, with team, 6 hours	.	.	1 50
			\$85 52

Work done in May, 1894.

Paid Frank Gile, 6 days and 2 hours	.	.	\$7 75
F. West, 5 days 2 hours	.	.	6 50
E. Jones, 4 days	.	.	5 00
H. Follansbee, 2 1-2 days	.	.	3 12
C. O. Morse, 3 1-2 days	.	.	4 37
Chas. Tewksbury, 1 1-2 days	.	.	1 87
W. L. Kimball, with team, 5 hours,	.	.	1 35
C. W. Noyes, 25 days,	.	.	37 50
			\$67 46

Work done in June, 1894.

Paid Frank Gile, 7 days 8 hours,	.	.	\$9 75
F. West, 3 1-2 days	.	.	4 37
E. Jones, 2 1-2 days	.	.	3 12
Wm. A. Brown, 1 1-2 days	.	.	1 87

Paid W. Parker, 1 day	.	.	1	25
C. H. Smith, with team, 2 days	.	.	14	00
W. H. West, with team, 2 days	.	.	8	00
D. M. Mitchell, with team 1 day	.	.	4	00
N. W. Goldsmith, with team, 1 day	.	.	4	00
E. P. Jones, with team, 7 hours	.	.	1	75
G. H. Dane, with team, 7 hours	.	.	1	75
C. W. Noyes, 13 days	.	.	19	50

\$73 36

Work done in July, 1894.

Paid Frank Gile, 1 day 3 hours	.	.	1	62
W. Parker, 1 day	.	.	1	25

\$2 87

Work done in August, 1894.

Paid Frank Gile, 4 days, 8 hours	.	.	6	00
W. Parker, 2 1-2 days,	.	.	3	12
Wm. A. Brown, 1 day, 8 hours	.	.	2	25
John Fisk, 2 days	.	.	2	50
Fred Kendall, 7 hours	.	.		87
E. Jones, 8 hours	.	.	1	00
L. B. Richardson, 2 days, 6 hours	.	.	3	25
C. W. Noyes, 15 days, July, August, and September	.	.	22	50

\$41 49

Work done in September, 1894.

Paid Frank Gile, 3 days	.	.	\$3	75
Martin West, 7 hours	.	.		87
H. Follansbee, 7 hours	.	.		87
E. Jones, with team, 2 days	.	.	5	00
C. F. Hill, with team, 1 day	.	.	2	50
James Gerah, 2 days	.	.	2	50

Geo. Dane, with team, 4 hours	1 00	
W. H. West, with team, 2 1-2 hours	1 00	
N. W. Goldsmith, with team, 1 day	4 00	
		\$21 49

Work done in October, 1894.

Paid E. Jones, 3 days, 4 hours	4 25	
Wm. A. Brown, 1 day	1 25	
A. H. West, 8 hours	1 00	
Frank Gile, 3 days, 2 hours	4 00	
Chas. Steele, 2 days, 4 hours	3 00	
B. Follansbee, 1 1-2 days	1 87	
H. Follansbee, 1 day	1 25	
C. W. Noyes, 13 days	16 21	
		\$32 83

Work done in November, 1894.

Paid E. Jones, 1 day, 8 hours	2 25	
F. Gile, 1 day, 1 hour	1 37	
B. Follansbee, 8 hours	1 00	
H. Follansbee, 2 hours	25	
Wm. A. Brown, 7 hours	87	
C. W. Noyes, 2 1-2 days	3 12	
		\$8 86

STATEMENT OF ROAD AGENTS FOR BREAKING
ROADS.

Paid L. B. Richardson in district No. 6	\$9 36	
Frank Warren in districts Nos. 8 & 17	13 54	
G. L. Fitts in district No. 2	14 22	
West Bros. in district No. 7	19 00	
Charles Steele in district No. 4	4 42	
C. W. Noyes in districts Nos. 3 & 4	9 45	
		\$69 99

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid for repairs on road machine	.	\$15 25
Powder and fuse	.	1 58
Five pounds of nails	.	15
W. L. Kimball, 1300 ft. plank	.	19 50
R. H. Hazelton, 232 ft. plank	.	3 48
C. W. Pressey, 273 ft. stringers	.	4 10
E. T. Morse, repairing drills and bars	.	1 95
E. T. Morse, repairing road machine	.	25
		\$46 26

STATEMENT OF J. E. McCANNON, ROAD AGENT.

Work done in April, 1894.

Paid, G. Robie, 12 days, 6 hours	.	\$15 75
Henry West, 2 days	.	2 50
J. E. McCannon, for man and team		
14 days, 1 hour	.	56 40
F. C. Brown, 1 day	.	1 25
Charles Cook, 4 days	.	5 00
J. W. Chase with oxen 1 day, 4		
hours	.	4 20
W. H. West, 8 days, 6 hours	.	19 75
A. Abbott, 2 days	.	2 50
H. L. Chase with team 1 day, 6		
horses	.	6 40
E. C. Chase, 3 days, 6 hours	.	4 50
C. H. Smith, for man and four		
horses, 5 days	.	35 00
Chauncy Robie, 3 days	.	3 75
G. S. Whittemore, 9 days, 6 hours	.	12 00
G. D. Rand, for 69 loads of gravel	.	8 28
G. W. Davis, for 4 loads of gravel	.	48
W. P. Whittemore, for chestnut logs	.	10 89

Paid C. S. Wilcomb & Son, for nails and oil	24	
J. E. McCannon, 14 1-2 days	21	75
C. Abbott, 2 days,	2	50
		\$204 14

Work done in May, 1894.

Paid J. E. McCannon, for man and team,		
6 days, 3 hours	\$25	20
G. S. Whittemore, 5 days, 7 hours	7	12
" " " horse 3 days	3	75
G. Robie, 5 days	6	25
W. H. West, 4 days	5	00
O. H. Underhill, 6 days, 3 hours,	7	88
Warren Merrill, 1 day, 5 hours	1	88
Frank West, 1 day	1	25
C. H. Smith, for man and four horses		
2 days	14	00
G. D. Rand, 25 loads of gravel	3	00
J. E. McCannon, 7 days	10	50
		\$85 83

Work done in June, 1894.

Paid J. E. McCannon for man and team		
6 days	\$24	00
G. S. Whittemore, 7 days	8	75
O. H. Underhill, 2 days	2	50
John F. McCandon, 1 day	1	25
J. E. McCannon, 8 1-2 days	12	75
		\$49 25

Work done in September 1894.

Paid G. S. Whittemore, 1 day cutting bushes	\$1 25
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STATEMENT OF ROAD AGENT J. E. McCANNON,
BREAKING ROADS.

Paid J. E. McCannon in districts Nos.

1 and 14 . . .	\$38 29
Martin Colby in district No. 13 . .	9 69
James Owens in district No. 15 . .	16 98
	\$64 96

STATEMENT OF C. H. SMITH, ROAD AGENT.

Work done in April, 1894.

Paid Chas. H. Smith, 13 days, 2 hours,

team and man . . .	\$52 80
Chas. H. Smith, 6 horses, 2 men, 2	
days . . .	22 00
Charles Smith, 3 1-2 days . . .	5 25
" " 4 horses, 7 hours, . . .	4 90
Frank T. Smith, 9 days, 8 hours . .	12 25
Cyrus Roberts. 9 days . . .	11 25
Cyrus Roberts, 2 gal. oil . . .	25
George Mackintosh, 3 days . . .	3 75
William Parker, 1-2 day . . .	62
Frank Giles, 4 days . . .	5 00
Rufus Forsaith, 3 days . . .	3 75
Frank Spofford, 3 days . . .	3 75
Charles Healey, 3 hours . . .	37
Cyrus Hills, with oxen, 9 hours . .	2 70
O. H. Edwards, 2 days, . . .	2 50
O. H. Edwards, with dynamite . .	40
Amos Sanborn, with oxen . . .	6 00
Elmore Sanborn, 2 days . . .	2 50

\$140 04

Work done in May, 1894.

Paid George Robie, 3 days . . .	\$3 75
Cyrus Roberts, 7 hours . . .	87
Martin West, 1-2 day . . .	63
Will Healey, 3 days . . .	3 75
S. G. Healey, 1 day . . .	1 25
A. Seavey, 4 days, 6 hours . . .	5 75
Henry West, 1-2 day . . .	63
Frank Smith, 5 days, 6 hours . . .	7 00
A. Woodward, 1 day . . .	1 25
Luther Lane, post and rails . . .	75
C. H. Smith, 5 days . . .	7 50
C. H. Smith, 6 horses, 2 men, 3 days	33 00
C. H. Smith, rails and hauling . . .	2 00
C. H. Smith, team and man 3 days	12 00
Repairs on road machine . . .	2 40

 \$82 53

Work done in June, 1894

Paid Cyrus Roberts. 6 days . . .	\$7 50
Rufus Forsaith, 2 1-2 days . . .	3 12
C. H. Smith, 5 1-2 days . . .	8 25
Frank Smith, 6 days . . .	7 50
A. Woodward, 1 1-2 day . . .	1 87
Jim Johnson, 2 days . . .	2 50
O. F. Page, with team 2 days . . .	8 00
C. H. Smith, 6 horses and 2 men, 1 day.	11 00
C. H. Smith, 1 pair horses and man 6 days	24 00
C. H. Smith, brace on road machine	1 00
C. H. Smith, 108 ft. bridge plank . . .	1 08

 \$75 82

Work done in September, 1894.

Paid Cyrus Roberts 1 day . . .	\$1 25
C. H. Smith with team 1 day . . .	4 00
C. H. Smith, 2 days . . .	3 00
Frank Banard, 1 day . . .	1 25
Ernest Gillingham, railing irons . . .	75
Austin Lane, 1-2 day . . .	63
Frank Dolbie, 3 hours . . .	37
Frank Smith, 1 day . . .	1 25
	\$12 50

STATEMENT OF CHAS. H. SMITH BREAKING ROADS.

Work done in Nos. 5, 9, and 16 . . .	\$23 70
Work done in No. 12 . . .	7 12
Word done in No. 11 . . .	6 62
Work done in No. 10 . . .	16 07
	\$53 51

REPORT OF GEORGE D. RAND, OVERSEER
OF THE POOR.

AID FURNISHED DEPENDENT SOLDIERS—NATHAN NORTON.

Paid Dr. George R. Fellows for profes- sional services . . .	\$14 00
Mrs. David Butterfield for care of Nathan Norton and family from March 2, 1894, to Sept. 1, 1894 . . .	44 00
Annie Dowery for care from Sept. 12 1894, to Oct 27. 1894 . . .	9 43
Mrs. David Butterfield for care from Nov. 5, 1894, to Feb. 15, 1895 . . .	35 00

Paid Henry Matthewson, sawing wood,		
Oren F. Page, wood furnished .	9	75
E. M. Robie, for meat and groceries,		
from Feb. 14, 1894, to Jan. 9,		
1895	28	24
C. S. Wilcomb & Son, goods furnish-		
ed from Sept. 12, 1894, to Nov.		
5, 1895	4	04
		\$147 46

SARAH M. HEALD.

Paid, Mrs. Sarah A. Kelley, for board		
of Sarah M. Heald, from Feb.		
17th, 1894, to May 17, 1894 .	\$31	80
Mrs. John B. Rand, for board from		
May 17, 1894, to Aug. 2nd, 1894	27	15
Anna W. M. Marston, for board from		
Aug. 2nd, to Nov. 6, 1894 .	34	29
Julia A. B. Converse for board from		
Nov. 13 to Nov. 27, 1894 .	5	00
C. S. Wilcomb & Son for goods furn-		
ished from April 28th, 1894, to		
Oct., 1894	3	89
		\$102 13

TRANSIENTS. .

Paid, George L. Converse for lodging		
transient	\$20	00
Paid, C. H. Gordon for burial of Luther		
W. Kelley Oct. 1st, 1894 .	\$25	00
Paid, C. H. Gordon for funeral expenses		
of Joseph Johnson Jr., on Feb.		
16th 1895	\$5	00
Total amount for support of poor in		
town	\$299	59

COUNTY PAUPERS.

LOIS S. CURRIER AND CHILDREN.

Paid C. K. Emery for board of Lois S.
Currier and children, from Feb.
13, 1894 to Feb. 13, 1895 . \$130 00

JOSEPH JOHNSON, JR.

Paid C. H. Gordon for casket for Joseph
Johnson, Feb. 16, 1895 . \$15 00

AID FURNISHED DEPENDANT SOLDIERS.

JOSEPH JOHNSON.

Paid C. S. Wilcomb & Son., goods for Joseph Johnson, Feb. 14, 1895	\$3 89	
Paid West Bros. for wood furnished Joseph Johnson, Feb. 16, 1895	\$3 44	
		\$152 33
Collected of Rockingham county and paid town treasurer . . .		\$148 89
Balance due from county . . .		\$3 44

GEORGE D. RAND, *Overseer of the Poor.*

CHESTER, N. H., February 23, 1895.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen and overseer of the poor for the year ending, February 15, 1895, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

ADDISON A. BEAN, }
CYRUS F. MARSTON, } *Auditors.*
J. ALBERT HOOKE, }

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THE TOWN OF CHESTER IN ACCOUNT WITH

1894-95.	
To Discount on taxes paid on or before August 1.....	\$62 13
To cash paid for printing and stationery	52 80
To cash paid for improvements on roads and bridges.....	1,031 50
To cash paid for breaking roads.....	291 36
To cash paid school district treasurer for schools....	1,462 90
To cash paid for school supplies.....	103 54
To cash paid for abatement of taxes.....	5 30
To cash paid for memorial day expenses	50 00
To cash paid for collecting taxes.....	66 71
To cash paid for public watering troughs.....	6 25
To cash paid for care and attendance with hearse.....	24 00
To cash paid for county tax.....	1,065 49
To cash paid for state tax.....	1,075 00
To cash paid for insurance on town hall.....	10 00
To cash paid for care of cemetery.....	8 00
To cash paid for returns of births, marriages and death....	25
To cash paid for miscellaneous bills.....	64 00
To cash paid for town treasurer's salary.....	25 00
To cash paid school board's services and expenses.....	106 25
To cash paid town clerk's services and expenses.....	20 00
To cash paid supervisor's services and expenses.....	24 00
To cash paid selectmen's services and expenses.....	123 35
To cash paid overseer of poor services and expenses.....	39 87
To cash paid auditor's services.....	6 00
To cash paid for auditor's, selectmen's and treasurer's expenses	5 00
To cash paid for support of poor.....	297 13
To cash paid to aid dependent soldiers.....	154 79
To cash paid for public library.....	105 00
To cash paid for bounty on hawks.....	11 50
To cash paid for repairs on town hall.....	113 96
To cash paid John W. Noyes, note and intrest	555 17
Cash in hands of treasurer to balance.....	76 39

 \$7,042 64

GEORGE S. WEST, TOWN TREASURER.

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1894-95.		
	By cash in the treasury Feb. 24, 1893.....	\$271 79
March,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1893.....	500 00
April,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1893.....	350 00
June,	By cash of town clerk for dog license	106 17
	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1893.....	50 00
	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1894.....	250 00
July,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1894.....	350 00
August	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1894.....	1,471 19
	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb interest on taxes of 1893	23 39
Nov.	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1894.....	250 00
Dec.	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1894.....	700 00
1895.		
Jan.	By cash of state treasurer, railroad tax	61 99
	By cash of state treasurer, savings bank tax.....	1,522 25
	By cash of state treasurer, literary fund.....	198 12
	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1894.....	202 25
Feb.	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1894.....	400 00
	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb on tax list of 1893.....	26 00
	By cash for grass and apples on Heald place	11 50
	By cash of W. J. Carney for claim of town on Heald place	15 35
	By cash of state for bounty on hawks	11 50
	By cash of county for support of poor.....	148 89
	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1894.....	100 00
	By cash of F. C. Brown, for use of town hall.....	22 25

 \$7,042 64

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

ASSETS.

Balance due on tax list of 1894	.	\$897 39	
Cash in hands of treasurer	.	76 39	
			\$973 78

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN, FEB. 15, 1895.

Note due Jane M. Noyes, with interest,	.	\$221 40	
			\$221 40
Balance in favor of town	.	.	\$752 38

GEORGE S. WEST, *Treasurer.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 23, 1895.

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the accounts of George S. West, town treasurer, and find the same correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

ADDISON A. BEAN,	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
CYRUS F. MARSTON,		
J. ALBERT HOOKE,		

REPORT OF CHESTER FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

FROM JULY 1894 to MARCH 1895.

The free circulation of books amongst the people of the community has afforded sufficient proof of the value of a free library. We have reason to regard a collection of good books as an educational force working hand in hand with our public schools and whatever makes for the improvement of mind and morals. There are many people in every rural community whose education depends largely upon the reading they are able to do after their school days are over. Books must supply the place of lectures and evening schools. Judging from what people say of the library, it is safe to affirm that much happiness as well as profit has been the result of its use thus far.

Three trustees were elected in March 1894, as follows: J. G. Robertson for three years, A. A. Bean for two years and A. F. B. Edwards for one year. At the first meeting of the trustees, A. A. Bean was chosen treasurer, and A. F. B. Edwards secretary. Mr. A. H. Wilcomb was appointed librarian. The gift of one hundred dollars' worth of books from the state of New Hampshire was received the latter part of June, 1894. The trustees had at their disposal in addition to this collection the sum of \$105, being the appropriation of the town of Chester for the years 1892, 1893 and 1894. With this sum we were able to purchase about 105 books. The number of books has increased until we now have

The thanks of the towns-people are due to the following persons for donations of books. Mrs. Fannie S Barry, of Boston, Mrs. Barnard Robie, Miss I. H. Fitz, Mr. C. J. Wilcomb, Mr. Mark Sanborn. Mr. George Converse, Mr. Frank Weymouth and Miss Carrie B. Hazelton.

Some who have given time and pains in cataloguing the books and getting them ready for circulation are Mrs. A. A. Bean, Miss Lizzie F. Campbell, Miss Sarah P. Webster, Miss Nellie B. Sleeper Miss I. H. Fitz and Mrs. A. H. Wilcomb.

We have labored under some disadvantages in not having a library building or even a special room where the books might be kept. We are indebted to the firm of C. S. Wilcomb & Son for allowing the library to be placed in their store.

Some idea of the extent to which use has been made of the library may be gained from the number of library cards taken out. One hundred and eighty two of these have been issued. The average semi-weekly withdrawal of books from July last until the present time has been in the neighborhood of 50, which means that somewhere between 65 and 80 families are being benefitted by the library small as it is. Reading has by no means been limited to works of fiction. Biographies and books of travel have proved to be in general demand. The six periodicals, which were purchased with the proceeds of an entertainment given for the benefit of the library, have been widely used. They have been useful in keeping the community in touch with the thought of the present day. The efforts of all who assisted in making the entertainment a success deserve the thanks of their fellow citizens.

It is to be hoped that this year we may receive a more generous appropriation for the use of the library than we have received heretofore. The more we do to make the community attractive the more we contribute to the real life of the homes that belong to it. One of the means fitted to yield innocent enjoyment, to say nothing of growth in intelligence, is a good public library free to all old or young, rich or poor.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

RECEIVED.

From the town of Chester . . . \$105 00

PAID.

1894.

July 4, state commissioners . . . 11 38

DeWolfe, Fiske, & Co., . . . 43 35

Aug. 21, A. F. B. Edwards, book case . . . 5 00

Sept. 19, DeWolfe, Fiske, & Co. . . 39 30

Dec. 20, " " " . . . 3 50

Express and freight on state books . . . 54

Total expenditures . . . \$103 07

Cash on hand to balance . . . 1 93

\$105 00

JAMES G. ROBERTSON,
ADDISON A. BEAN,
ALBERT F. B. EDWARDS, } *Trustees.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 23, 1895.

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the accounts of the Board of Library Trustees and find them correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, }
J. ALBERT HOOKE, } *Auditors*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

We have been able the past year to give more weeks of schooling, than ever before in the history of our town, the time being thirty weeks for each school.

In most cases the time has been very profitably spent, and good, honest, hard work done by both teachers and scholars.

We would commend the almost perfect order noticed in some of the schools. Some one says, "No system of education is worthy of consideration which does not discipline the young in self-control, and in royal submission to proper authority."

We believe that good order is one of the *first* requisites of a good school.

We would especially speak of the drawing which has been taught in several of the schools, very good work having been done by the pupils.

A great effort has been made by some of the teachers to secure regular attendance, and we are pleased to note the success which has attended the effort.

Teachers need to be on the alert in this, as well as other points which come up, and find out if the pupil is absent or tardy on account of his own carelessness, or if he can present a good excuse.

Parents should see to it that their children attend school every day, unless detained at home by illness, and that they are there in season.

A valuable habit will thus be acquired, which is likely to continue through life.

The parents have shown an active interest, in some parts of the town, by frequently visiting the schools.

We believe that interest manifested in this way has a beneficial effect on both teachers and scholars.

JENNIE P. HAZELTON,	}	<i>School Board</i>
E. C. GOODWIN,		<i>of</i>
CYRUS F. MARSTON,		<i>Chester.</i>

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

For one term or more.

NO. 1, FIRST DIVISION.

Sadie Edwards,	Bessie Wray,*
Cora Lane,	Earl Robinson,
Harriette Lane,*	Cora Hills,
Nellie Morse,	Carrie Parker,†
Louise Martin,†	Estella Smith,†
Gracie Parker,*	Renna Smith.
Laura Robinson.	

NO. 1 SECOND DIVISION.

Ella Flanders,	August Neily,
Grace Gile,*	Harris West,†
Carrie Neily,	Georgie Smith,
Rachael Mackintosh,†	Margaret West,†
Elsie M. Shackford,†	Warren Goodwin,
Bertie Gile,†	Walter Goodwin.

NO. 2

Ethel M. Green,*	Bertha Morse,
J. Frank Couch,*	Ernest A. Carr.
Matt C. Wakefield.	

NO. 3.

John R. F. Brown,†
 Helen M. Edwards,*
 Roger P. Edwards,*
 Howard Edwards*
 Harry C. Edwards,†
 Lulu Rand,†
 Nellie A. Carlton,

Sumner Edwards,*
 Joseph Edwards,
 Alice J. Whittemore,†
 Mary J. Whittemore,†
 Nellie S. Whittemore,
 Walter Brown,†
 Clinton J. Eastman.

NOS. 5 AND 10.

Addie E. Southwick,†
 Willie H. Owen,
 Ruthie A. Owen,†
 Georgie F. Hazelton,†

Bennie W. Lake,*
 Roy F. Weeks,*
 Joseph H. Tarlton,†
 Perley V. Hazelton.

NO. 6.

Ella J. Sanborn,†
 Eddie A. Towle*
 Charles W. Towle,
 Osborne West,

Lillian Lane,
 Freddie Barnard,
 Jennie F. West,†
 Alice Dolbie.

NO. 7.

Bertha L. Tenney,
 Emma J. Dorr,†
 Ira E. Pullen.
 Sewall F. Tenney,
 Frankie Crosby

Mary E. Sherman,
 Carrie E. Sherman,
 Charles O. Bursiel,*
 Laura E. Woodward,

† Indicates perfect attendance for two terms.

* Indicates perfect attendance for three terms.

EXPENDITURES.

TEACHERS' SALARIES INCLUDING BOARD.

Nellie B. Sleeper, 1st Div. No. 1, summer	\$82 50
Carrie B. Hazelton, 2nd Div. No. 1, summer	77 00
Gertrude J. Green, school No. 2, summer	66 00
Mrs. Lizzie S. Hooke, " " 3, "	82 50
Minnie A. Simonds, " " 5, "	66 00
Alice S. Towle " " 6, "	60 50
Amy N. Flint, " " 7, "	66 00
Abbie P. Hazelton, 1st Div. No. 1, fall and winter	142 50
Carrie B. Hazelton, 2nd Div. No. 1, fall and winter	133 00
Gertrude J. Green, school No. 2, fall and winter	114 00
Mrs. Lizzie S. Hooke, school No. 3, fall and winter	142 50
Minnie A. Simonds, school No. 5, fall and winter	114 00
Susie J. Wason, school No. 6, fall and winter	104 50
Amy N. Flint, school No. 7, fall and winter	114 00
	\$1,365 00

FOR CONVEYING SCHOLARS.

Paid James W. Towle	\$60 00
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FUEL ACCOUNT.

Paid W. H. Brown, fitting wood	\$ 90
Wm. P. W. Whittemore	12 25
F. W. Weymouth, fitting wood	2 25

Paid Garland Smith	.	.	5	00
Geo. S. West	.	.	9	00
Anna W. M. Marston	.	.	4	00
Wallace L. Kimball	.	.	10	00
Chas. H. Green	.	.	10	54
Oren F. Page, for wood 1892-93-94	.	.	10	87
A. A. Bean	.	.	2	00
Walter P. Tenney, sawing wood	.	.	1	20
A. P. Morse	.	.	3	70
Earle Robinson sawing wood	.	.		50
Geo. F. Small, sawing wood	.	.		20

 \$72 41

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Mrs. N. H. Currier	.	.	\$2	00
Mrs. A. M. Wakefield	.	.	1	00
Mrs. Lizzie S. Hooke	.	.	3	91
James B. Kent	.	.	8	00
Albert F. B. Edwards	.	.	1	00
Webster Bros.	.	.	1	75
C. S. Wilcomb & Son	.	.	2	21

 \$19 87

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Paid Franklin P. Shackford	.	.	\$3	50
Albert M. Hardy	.	.	3	10
New England Adamant Co.	.	.	2	50
Albert F. B. Edwards	.	.	3	00
D. M. Mitchell, freight	.	.		65
James Gerah	.	.		75

 \$13 50

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid, Edw. E. Babb & Co.	.	.	\$51 44	
William Ware & Co., new readers	.	.	50 98	
Charles Bartlett	.	.	1 58	
Express on books, etc.	.	.	1 60	
				\$105 60

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Received of town of Chester	.	.	\$103 54	
Received for books sold	.	.	2 06	
				\$105 60

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 23, 1895.

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the accounts of the School Board for the year past, and find the same correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

ADDISON A. BEAN, }
J. ALBERT HOOKE, } *Auditors.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

SCHOOL MONEY RECEIVED.

From balance as per last report	.	.	\$14 40	
Town of Chester	.	.	1462 90	
Town of Derry, tuition 1893	.	.	13 80	
C. H. Wells, tuition	.	.	3 75	
Town of Derry, tuition 1894	.	.	14 70	
Town of Raymond, tuition	.	.	11 00	
				\$1520 55

PAID ORDERS.

For teacher's salaries	.	.	\$1365 00	
Conveyance of scholars	.	.	60 00	
Fuel	.	.	72 41	
Miscellaneous bills	.	.	19 87	
Cash to balance	.	.	3 27	
				\$1520 55

EXPENDITURES ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Cash paid as per vouchers	.	.	\$13 50	
Cash on hand to balance	.	.	90 78	
				\$104 28

RECEIVED.

Balance on hand 1893	.	.	\$54 28	
From N. D. Steele for schoolhouse in No. 4	.	.	50 00	
				\$104 28

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. WEST, *District Treasurer.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 23, 1895.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the District Treasurer of Chester for the year past and find them correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

ADDISON A. BEAN, }
J. ALBERT HOOKE, } *Auditors*

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, ROCKINGHAM SS.

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said town on Saturday, the sixteenth day of March, 1895, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk
3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer.
5. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the support of schools in addition to that required by law.
7. To see what the district will do in regard to repairing, furnishing and improving school buildings, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.
8. To choose agents, auditors or committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
9. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Chester, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1895.

JENNIE P. HAZELTON, } *School Board*
CYRUS F. MARSTON, } *of*
 } *Chester.*

A true copy. Attest :

JENNIE P. HAZELTON, } *School Board*
CRRUS F. MARSTON, } *of*
 } *Chester.*

SCHOOL TABLE.

No. of School	Terms	Names of Teachers	No. of Weeks	No. of Pupils in													
				Whole No. of Pupils	Reading	Spelling	Pennmanship	Arithmetic	Geography	Grammar	History	Composition	Drawing	Vocal Music	Physiology	Bookkeeping	Algebra
Number 1st. Div.	Spring.	Miss Nellie B. Sleeper...	11	22	22	22	22	22	20	22	..	..	19	..	22		2
	Fall ...	Miss Abbie P. Hazelton.	12	22	22	22	22	22	17	22	17	..	21	22	22		5
	Winter	" " " "	7	21	21	21	21	21	17	21	17	..	20	21	21		4
Number 1st 2d Div.	Spring.	Miss Carrie B. Hazelton	11	29	29	29	27	22	21	..	10	10	27				
	Fall ...	" " " "	12	29	29	29	28	29	12	3	7	3	27				
	Winter.	" " " "	7	22	22	22	22	12	10	3	..	3	22				
Number 2.	Spring.	Miss Gertrude J. Green..	11	9	9	6	5	6	4	2	1	..			2		2
	Fall ...	" " " "	12	9	9	6	6	6	6	2	1	..	4			2	2
	Winter.	" " " "	7	7	7	6	6	4	4	4	1	..	3			1	1
Number 3.	Spring.	Mrs. Lizzie S. Hook.....	11	22	22	22	18	18	13	4	1	..			1	2	3
	Fall ...	" " " "	12	26	26	26	22	21	21	4	..	..		3	2		
	Winter	" " " "	7	23	23	23	20	20	17	4	..	..			2		
Nos. 5 & 10	Spring.	Miss Minnie A. Simonds.	11	13	13	12	12	10	7	1	1	..					
	Fall ...	" " " "	12	15	15	15	14	13	11	1	1	..					
	Winter.	" " " "	7	12	12	12	12	10	9	1	..	..					
Number 6.	Spring.	Miss Alice S. Towle.....	11	14	14	14	13	11	11	4	5	..			3	2	6
	Fall ...	Miss Susie J. Wason	12	16	16	16	16	15	10	2	9	..	14		5	5	
	Winter.	" " " "	7	13	13	13	13	12	10	2	9	..	12				
Number 7.	Spring	Miss Amy N. Flint.....	11	12	12	11	11	9	9	5	3	..	11				
	Fall . .	" " " "	12	16	16	15	15	12	12	6	12	..	16				
	Winter	" " " "	7	12	12	12	12	11	9	11	5	11	12				

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS
1894.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 1894.

Date of birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of the Child (if any.)	Sex & Color		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
			Male or Female	No. of Child.						
Jan. 2	Chester	Helen Louise	F	1	Frank T. Smith	Ida L. Brown	Chester	New Bedford, Ms	21	17
" 16	"	Percy Sumner	F	1	John M. Parker	Addie C. Underhill	"	Chester	31	25
" 24	"	Philip Gordon	M	2	Willard R. Stowe	J. May Vandine	Moorea, N Y.	New Brunswick	27	27
Feb. 20	"	Christine	F	1	Robert H. Hazelton	Minnie M. Hall	Chester	Chster	40	28
" 22	"	James Matthew	M	3	Edwin P. Jones	Oliver B. Hazelton	"	Lawrence, Mass.	33	34
April 15	"	Waldo Carvasso	M	1	Rufus Folsath	Mary Francis Morgan	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia	23	22
" 15	"	Hazel M.	F	7	Carvasso W. Neiley	Minnie Parks	Bradford, Mass.	Chester	38	35
May 17	"	"	F	2	Charles W. Nichols	Caroline A. Chase	Chester	Dexter, Me	34	26
June 15	"	Henry Dale	M	1	athan W. Goldsmith	Mary W. Kimball	"	Boxford, Mass	31	29
July 10	"	"	F	1	Marion Mills	Annie L. Dale	"	Candia	26	22
Aug. 2	"	Blanche Chase	F	2	Thomas E. Curtis	Lizzie O. Colcord	Revelly, Mass.	Chester	37	37
" 8	"	Barbara Ellen	F	3	George S. Webster	Lizzie S. Chase	Chester	"	32	33
" 31	"	Emmons Warren	M	2	Jay E. H. Maiden	Augusta S. Lane	Chelsea, Vt.	Randolph, Vt.	47	27
Nov. 9	"	"	F	7	William J. Carney	Mary Wynn	Salem, Mass.	Wilton	43	25
" 19	"	"	M	1	Lena A. Bickford	Lena A. Bickford	Dexter, Me.	Canton, Mass.	35	32
" 20	"	"	M	1	Everett E. Pullen	Mary Hunt	"	"	35	32

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 1884.

Date 1894	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of each	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married.
Jan. 1.	Manchester	Stephen A. Steele and Esther E. Berney	Chester	34	w	Carpent'r	Campton	George B. Lidia A. Bott	I	Nathaniel L. Colby, Baptist Minister, Manchester
Feb. 3.	Chester.	Thomas C. Sawyer and Hannah M. Marston	I owell, Mass.	27		Carriage- Man fr	Suncook.	Thomas G. Birney Maria Dempsey Wall	I	E. C. Goodwin, Bap- tist Minister, Ches- ter.
Apr. 15	Candia	Dana A. Weeks and Emily S. Smith	Chester	69		Farmer	Newburyport Mass Chester	Moses Abigail Colby Samuel Marston	w3	Theodore C. Pratt, Clergyman, Candia.
Aug 22	Chester	Charles H. Smith and May L. French	Auburn	46		Farmer	"	Betsey M. Noyes Mary R. ustin Horatio G. Smith	I	E. C. Goodwin, Cler- gyman, Chester
Sept 10	Derry	Robert H. Barry and Mary E. Londergan	Chester	28		Farmer	Auburn	Anna A. Foster	I	W. J. O'Connor, Cler- gyman, Terry.
			Danville	19		Butcher	Derry	Ruth A. Messer	I	
			Concord	24		Dressm'r	Chester	George W. French John Ellen Leahy	I	
			Chester	25			Concord	James Londergan Margaret Malone	I	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 1894.

Date 1894.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex Con			Occupation.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.
			Years.	Months.	Days.		Sex.	Color.	Single etc.			
Jan. 24	Chester.	Lucinda T. Towle.	81	1	14	Newberg, Me.	F	w	w	Housewife	Ezekiel York	Nancy Folsom.
Feb. 16	"	Asahel Weeks.	67	"	"	Chester	M	w	"	Farmer	Noah	Charlotte Quimby.
" 23	"	Christine Jones.	53	"	1	Wakefield, Ms.	F	s	s	"	Edwin P. Jones	Olive B. Hazelton.
" 28	"	Harrison H. Hawkes	52	9	24	Reeford	M	s	s	Farmer	Harrison G. O.	Mary A. Walton
Mar. 9	"	Harriett N. Clark.	70	9	"	Syracuse, N Y	F	m	m	"	John E. Mullett	Sarah E. Leach
" 12	"	Ann M. Chamberlain.	66	11	22	Chester	F	s	s	Farmer	John	Jennie Patten
" 29	"	Zachens Shirley	75	10	"	"	F	w	w	Farmer	"	"
April 7	"	Mary True	75	10	"	"	M	w	w	Farmer	"	"
" 17	"	Sylvester S. Chamberlain	75	3	19	Marblehead M	F	w	w	Farmer	"	"
May 23	"	Sarah G. Hall	88	5	7	Chester	M	s	s	Farmer	George B.	Lydia A. Abbott
June 30	"	Newton G. Strele.	37	4	25	"	M	m	m	Shoe Man'fr	John W.	Mollie Chase
July 18	"	John Underhill	60	8	22	"	M	s	s	"	Martin L. Butterfield	Annie M. Keezer
Aug. 8	"	Charles W. French	35	8	"	Danvers, Mass	M	s	s	"	Matthew F.	Katie C. Rand
" 12	"	Delbert Butterfield	"	8	"	Chester	M	m	m	Farmer	Charles F.	Hannah E. Cate.
Sep 13	"	Frank E. Leighton	34	8	6	alem Mass.	M	m	m	"	"	"
Oct. 29	"	Thomas McCannon.	69	7	"	Chester	M	w	w	Farmer	Amos.	Sarah A. French
Dec 6	"	Wallace F. Hill	7	8	"	"	M	s	s	"	"	Judith Worth
" 14	"	Parker Morse	86	11	22	"	M	w	w	Farmer	"	"

I hereby certify that the above return is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, TOWN CLERK.







FIFTEENTH YEAR.

The Derry News

Has by far

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ANNUAL REPORTS_____

.... OF THE

TOWN . OF . CHESTER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

FEBRUARY 15, 1896.

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN, OVERSEER *of the* POOR,
TOWN TREASURER, TOWN CLERK, ROAD AGENTS,
SCHOOL BOARD, LIBRARY TRUSTEES,
AND AUDITORS.
FOR THE
TOWN OF CHESTER,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING, FEB. 15th, 1896.

DERRY, N. H. :
CHARLES BARTLETT, PRINTER,
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1896.

TOWN WARRANT.

[L. S.] STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the town of Chester qualified to vote in town affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects :

- I. To choose all necessary town officers and agents for the year ensuing.
- II. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools ; for the maintenance of the poor ; for the laying out and repairing highways, and building and repairing bridges ; for paying the town debts and defraying interest thereon ; and for other necessary charges arising in said town.
- III. To hear the report of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- IV. To see if the town will vote to build an addition to the Town Hall, or repair it, and provide suitable rooms for the Public Library, Selectmen, etc., therein, and raise and appropriate money for that purpose.
- V. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in addition to that already appropriated to provide a suitable place for the Free Public Library.

- VI. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to complete the Village Cemetery fence, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.
- VII. To see if the town will vote to have the Inventory Blanks distributed at the time the Selectmen take the inventory.
- VIII. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money in addition to that required by law to purchase books for the Public Library.
- IX. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the decoration of Soldiers' Graves.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-second day of February, A.D. 1896.

MARTIN MILLS, } *Selectmen*
GEORGE D RAND, } *of*
WALLACE L. KIMBALL, } *Chester.*

A true copy of warrant. Attest :

MARTIN MILLS, } *Selectmen*
 GEORGE D. RAND, } *of*
 WALLACE L. KIMBALL, } *Chester.*

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1895.

MODERATOR—Addison A. Bean.

TOWN CLERK—Cyrus F. Marston.

SELECTMEN—Martin Mills, George D. Rand, Wallace L. Kimball.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR—Wallace L. Kimball, George D. Rand,
Martin Mills.

TOWN TREASURER—George S. West.

ROAD AGENT—James E. McCannon.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—Arthur H. Wilcomb.

SCHOOL BOARD—Edwin C. Goodwin, Eleanor J. Locke, James
G. Robertson, Herbert W. Robie.

TREASURER OF SCHOOL BOARD—Augustus P. Morse.

REPRESENTATIVE—Arthur H. Wilcomb.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES—A. F. B. Edwards, James G. Robertson, Ad-
dison A. Bean.

CONSTABLES—James E. McCannon, Arthur H. Wilcomb.

SUPERVISORS—Alonzo A. West, George L. Converse, Albert F. B.
Edwards.

AUDITORS—Cyrus F. Marston, Carlos W. Noyes, Edwin P. Jones.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1896.

VALUATION.

Improved and unimproved lands and buildings.

Resident	\$253,100 00
Nonresident	44,660 00
Polls, 209	20,900 00
Horses, 230	13,220 00
Oxen, 26	1,150 00
Cows, 322	7,540 00
Other neat stock, 16	385 00
Sheep, 83	150 00
Hogs, 1	8 00
Carriages, 4	285 00
Bank Stock	5,810 00
Money at Interest	8,900 00
Stock in trade	6,500 00
Mills, machinery, etc.	3,883 00

\$366,491 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

State Tax	1,075 00
County Tax	1,135 61
Town Tax	1 00
Highway Tax	1,000 00
School Tax required by law	860 00
Additional school money raised by tax	300 00
For public library	100 00

Memorial	50 00	
Overlay	56 58	
Tax omitted	1 01	
		\$4,579 20
Total amount on collector's book	4,579 20	
Rate per cent of taxation on \$1000 00	12 50	

AMOUNT OF SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount required by law	860 00	
Additional amount raised by tax	300 00	
Literary fund	198 12	
Balance of dog license for 1894	96 17	
		\$1,454 29

The selectmen and overseers of the poor
have given orders on the town treasurer
for the payment of the following
bills.

BREAKING ROADS.

1895.		
April 13 paid C. W. Noyes for work done in March	7 62	
1896.		
Feb. 15 paid James Marden for work done in March, 1895	12 00	
Feb. 15 paid Dale Bros. for work done in Feb. 1895	62	
		\$20 24

ROAD AGENT EXPENSES.

FOR LABOR AND LUMBER FOR HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid James E. McCannon	969 15	
		\$969 15

SCHOOL MONEY.

1895.

June 12	paid Augustus P. Morse, treasurer of school district	500 00
Nov. 20	paid Augustus P. Morse, treasurer of school district	550 00

1896.

Jan. 13	paid Augustus P. Morse, treasurer of school district	404 29
		\$1 454 29

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

1895.

May 9	paid school board	19 77
May 13	paid school board	27 25
June 5	paid school board	7 89
July 10	paid school board	2 50
Sept. 20	paid Lee & Shepard for books and supplies furnished in 1890 and 1891	1 74

Nov. 9	paid school board	18 06
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1896.

Jan. 6	paid school board	11 30
Feb. 6	paid school board	12 14
		\$100 65

RETURN OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

FOR 1894-95.

1895.

Sept. 6	paid A. L. Emerson, M. D. for 13 births	3 25
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Sept. 6	paid A. L. Emerson, M. D. for 11 deaths	2 75
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1896.

Feb. 15	paid A. L. Emerson, M. D. for 11 births	2 75	
Feb. 15	paid A. L. Emerson, M. D. for 11 deaths	2 75	
Feb. 15	paid Rev. James G. Robertson for 8 marriages	2 00	
			\$13 50

DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

1895

Aug. 10	paid A. H. Wilcomb for dis- count on taxes paid on or be- fore August 1.	59 20	
			\$59 20

COLLECTING TAXES.

1895

Aug. 10	paid A. H. Wilcomb for collect- ing taxes on list of 1894	17 68	
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1896

Feb. 15	paid A. H. Wilcomb for collect- ing balance on 1894 list	64	
Feb. 15	paid A. H. Wilcomb for collect- ing on list of 1895	53 69	
			\$72 01

ABATEMENT ON TAXES.

1895.

May 16	paid George W. Wilcomb, cow died	40	
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1896.

Feb. 15	paid A. H. Wilcomb on list of 1894		
	James Buchanan, wrong tax	20	

William H. Brown, left town	1	25
Charles E Cook, "	1	25
James M. Hook, "	1	25
Fred N. Spofford, "	1	25
Warren M. Carr, "	1	25
Edwin H. Smart, "	1	25
Dana Seavey, "	1	25
Henry A. Brown "	1	25
Almond D. Abbott, died .	1	25
Chatman Corey, unable .	1	25
Henry Lane, left town .	1	25
George A. Ordway, left town	1	25
Charles Woodward, unable	1	25
Nathan P. Emery .	1	87

\$18 72

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

1895.

Mar. 23	paid Charles Bartlett for print- ing 500 town reports .	41	40
April 4	paid Edson C. Eastman for one collector's book, and one order and one receipt book .	2	59

1896.

Feb. 15	paid A. H. Wilcomb for 1895 tax bills	1	30

\$45 29

PUBLIC WATERING TROUGHS.

1896.

Jan. 6	paid Martin Mills for expenses and labor on the stone watering trough and pipe	2	90
Feb. 15	paid Ebenezer Marden for fur- nishing a public watering place for 1895	3	00

\$5 90

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

1895.

May	8	paid James G. Robertson	.	49	59
July	10	paid James G. Robertson	.	20	71
Nov.	9	paid A. H. Wilcomb for library periodicals	.	7	65

1896.

Jan.	6	paid James G. Robertson, bal- ance of library money	.	22	05	
						\$100 00

BOUNTY ON HAWKS.

1896.

Jan.	2	paid Martin Mills for 18 hawks		4	50	
		George D. Rand for 2 hawks			50	
		W. L. Kimball for 1 hawk			25	
						\$5 25

DAMAGE DONE BY DOGS.

1895.

Dec.	21	paid George W. Currier, damage to sheep by dogs	.	3	00	
						\$3 00

CARE AND ATTENDANCE WITH HEARSE.

1895.

Paid Alonzo A. West for the following.

Jan.	18	Mrs. Sarah Edwards	.	2	00
"	20	Mrs. Mary A. Salter	.	2	00
"	29	Joseph Johnson	.	2	00
"	29	Joseph Ford	.	2	00
March	7	Mrs. Dorcas S. Dennis	.	2	00
"	17	Green Dennis	.	2	00
"	22	Mrs. Betsy R. West	.	2	00
"	29	Cyrus Lane	.	2	00
"	29	John B. Rand.	.	2	00

April	3	Noah Hayes Weeks	.	2 00
May	2	Mrs. Martha L. Hill	.	2 00
May	2	Fred S. Hazelton	.	2 00
June	6	Miss Sarah Melvin	.	2 00
July	10	Miss Jennie F. Parker	.	2 00
"	12	Mildred E. Nichols	.	2 00
"	25	Lewis B. Chase	.	2 00
Aug.	6	Jonathan Shackford	.	2 00
Sept.	17	Josiah D. Morse	.	2 00
Oct.	19	Mrs. Matilda Dearborn	.	2 00
Oct.	24	Nathaniel H. Currier	.	2 00
Nov.	8	John West	.	2 00

 \$42 00

CARE OF CEMETERY.

1895.

Dec. 21	paid Robert H. Hazelton	.	8 00
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 \$8 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

1895.

May 28	paid Edward J. Robie	.	50 00
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 \$50 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS,

1895.

July 10	paid Isabelle H. Fitz for services as librarian	.	5 00
Sept. 23	paid George D. Rand for making and putting up guide boards	.	2 75
Sept. 23	paid Kimball Carriage Co. for two straps to go with the hearse	.	3 00
Sept. 25	paid A. L. Emerson, M. D. for two visits and inquisition on Eleazer Young	.	10 00
Nov. 11	paid Star Stamp Company for five police badges	.	3 00

Dec. 21	paid George L. Converse for two visits and inquisition on Eleazer Young	5 00
Dec. 21	paid Thomas Leavitt for attend- ance at Eleazer Young's case .	10 00
Dec. 21	paid A. H. Wilcomb for insur- ing town hall and public library	12 25
Dec. 21	paid J. W. Towle for police ser- vices Oct. 10	2 00
Dec. 31	paid J. E. McCannon for police services July 4 and Oct. 10 .	4 00

1896.

Jan. 2	paid David Cross for counsel, E. Young case	2 00
Jan. 28	paid F. P. Shackford for police service Oct. 10	2 00
Feb. 4	paid C. P. Robinson for police service Oct. 10	2 00
Feb. 4	paid C. W. Noyes for police ser- vices Oct. 10	2 00
Feb. 15	paid George Hook for two visits and inquisition on Eleazer Young	5 00
Feb. 15	paid G. S. Webster one-half day appraising property of Eleazer Young	1 00
Feb. 15	paid D. T. Dale one-half day appraising property of Eleazer Young	1 00
Feb. 15	paid C. H. Edwards one-half day appraising property of Eleazer Young	1 00

 \$73 00

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

1895.

May 18 paid Edwin C. Goodwin . 15 00

1896.

Feb. 22 paid Eleanor J. Locke . 30 00

Feb. 22 paid James G. Robertson . 40 00

Feb. 22 paid Herbert W. Robie . 20 00

\$105 00

TOWN CLERK SERVICES.

Feb. 15 paid Cyrus F. Marston . 20 00

\$20 00

TOWN TREASURER'S SERVICES.

Feb. 15 paid George S. West . 25 00

\$25 00

TREASURER OF SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVICES.

Feb 15 paid Augustus P. Morse . 7 00

\$7 00

SELECTMEN'S SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Feb. 22 paid Martin Mills . 79 60

George D. Rand . 45 33

Wallace L. Kimball . 37 75

\$162 68

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES

Feb. 22 paid Wallace L. Kimball . 18 26

\$18 26

AUDITOR'S SERVICES.

Feb. 22 paid Cyrus F. Marston . 2 00

Edwin P. Jones . 2 00

\$4 00

SELECTMEN'S AND AUDITOR'S EXPENSES.

Feb. 22 paid George L. Converse .	5 00	\$5 00.

\$3387 14

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN MILLS,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
GEORGE D. RAND,	
WALLACE L. KIMBALL,	
	} <i>of</i>
	} <i>Chester.</i>

NOTICE.

All taxes assessed in the town of Chester for the year 1895, not paid on or before the first day of April next, will be advertised and collected as the law directs.

ARTHUR H. WILCOMB. *Collector.*

Chester, N. H., Feb. 22, 1896.

REPORT OF WALLACE L. KIMBALL, OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

SARAH M. HEALD.

Paid County of Rockingham for board of Sarah M. Heald from Nov. 28, 1894 to July 1, 1895 .	76 80	
Eunice Parker for board from Jan. 1, 1896 to Jan. 29, 1896 .	10 00	
		\$86 80

GEORGE ROLLINS AND FAMILY.

Paid Town of Sandown for W. A. Allen, M. D., for medical attendance	21 25	
C. H. Brown for groceries .	17 83	
W. J. Moore for attending the Rollins' family	3 00	
		\$42 08

AID FURNISHED DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

NATHAN NORTON.

Paid Mrs. David Butterfield for care from Feb. 20, 1895 to May 1, 1895 .	25 00	
Mrs. David Butterfield for care from May 4 to May 29	8 20	
Mrs. Fannie West for work July 18-20	1 50	
Elijah Purrington for work March 18 and May 23	3 00	
G. H. Guptill for professional services from Feb. 1, 1895 to Aug. 1, 1895	22 50	
Nancy Underhill for care five weeks	12 14	
		\$72 34

JOSEPH JOHNSON.

Paid Hannah Currier for house rent for Joseph Johnson from Dec. 1, 1893 to July 31, 1894 .	20 00	
		\$20 00

TRANSIENT.

Paid George L. Converse for lodging 34 transients	34 00	
W. H. Thayer for lodging 3 transients	3 00	
		\$37 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid A. L. Emerson, M. D., for profess- ional services on Henry Lane, Elizabeth Fisk and Stranger		
		\$21 75
Total amount for support of poor in town		
		\$279 97

COUNTY PAUPERS.

LOIS S. CURRIER AND CHILDREN.

Paid C. K. Emery for board of Lois S. Currier and children from Feb. 13, 1895 to Feb. 13, 1896 .	130 00	
		\$130 00

JOSEPH JOHNSON, JR.

Paid Robert H. Hazelton for burial of Jo- seph Johnson, May 6 .	2 00	
		\$2 00

AID FURNISHED DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

JOSEPH JOHNSON.

Paid C. S. Wilcomb & Son for goods .	94	
J. H. Worthington for taking Joseph Johnson to Soldiers' home .	22 14	
		\$23 08
Collected of Rockingham County and paid town treasurer		
		\$158 52

WALLACE L. KIMBALL, *Overseer of the Poor.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 22, 1896.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen and the overseer of the poor for the year ending February 15, 1896, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, }
EDWIN P. JONES, } *Auditors.*

STATEMENT OF J. C. McCANNON, ROAD AGENT.

Work done in March, 1895.

Paid J. E. McCannon, 7 hours	.	1 22
J. E. McCannon for man and team,		
2 hours	.	80
J. F. McCannon, 9 hours	.	1 35
G. S. Whittemore, 2 hours	.	30

Work done in April, 1895.

G. S. Whittemore, 6 days	.	9 00
O. H. Underhill, 6 days, 4 hours	.	9 60
F. West, 5 days, 9 hours	.	8 85
F. Morse, 5 days	.	7 50
E. Eastman, 2 days, 4 hours	.	3 60
Martin West, 1 day	.	1 50
G. Robie, 1 day	.	1 50
Cyrus Roberts, 5 days, 9 hours	.	8 85
H. L. Chase and team 5 days, 9 hrs.		19 17
J. E. McCannon for man and 4		
horses, 5 days, 9 hours	.	41 30
J. E. McCannon, 6 days	.	10 50

\$125 04

Work done in May, 1895.

J. E. McCannon for man and 4		
horses, 10 days	.	70 00
O. H. Underhill, 17 days, 7 hours	.	26 55

Paid F. Morse, 17 days, 7 hours	26 55
G. S. Whittemore, 14 days, 3 hours	21 45
A. Knippee, 4 days,	6 00
Cyrus Roberts, 15 days	22 50
E. C. Chase, 2 days	3 00
John Hall, 1 day	1 50
G. Cammett, 3 days, 3 hours	4 95
F. West, 6 days, 2 3-4 hours	9 41
W. Brown, 5 hours	75
Page Long, 3 days, 6 hours	5 40
Page Long use of horse, 1 day, 6 hrs.	2 00
C. H. Smith for man on team, 2 days	3 00
J. C. McCannon for 2 men, 4 horses,	
6 days, 7 hours	53 60
H. L. Chase and team, 17 days, 7	
hours	57 52
J. W. Chase with oxen, 1 day	3 00
O. Robie, 3 days, 3 hours	4 95
J. E. McCannon, 17 days, 7 hours	30 98

 \$358 11

Work done in June, 1895.

Paid J. E. McCannon, 2 men, 4 horses, 5	
days	40 00
O. H. Underhill, 6 days, 3 hours	9 45
F. Morse, 5 days	7 50
F. West, 4 days	6 00
G. Mackintosh, 2 days	3 00
E. Jones, 3 days, 5 hours	5 25
E. Jones for horse, 1 day	1 25
H. L. Chase and team, 4 days	13 00
E. C. Chase, 1 day	1 50
F. Gile, 3 days	4 50
Page Long, 1 day	1 50
Page Long and horse, 2 hours	55

Paid L. B. Richardson, 5 hours	.	75	
C. H. Webster, 4 days	.	6	00
J. E. McCannon for man and 2 horses, 1 day	.	4	00
J. E. McCannon, 7 days, 5 hours	.	13	12
G. S. Whittemore, 5 hours	.	75	
Nathan Gage for 1276 ft. plank	.	19	14
			\$137 26

Work done in July and August, 1895.

J. E. McCannon, man and team, 18 days, 1 hour	.	72	40
E. Jones and horse, 3 days	.	7	50
E. Jones, 2 days, 5 hours	.	3	12
E. P. Jones, 5 days	.	6	25
F. Brown, 1 day	.	1	25
G. Morse, 2 days	.	2	50
H. Brown, 4 days, 4 hours	.	5	50
Page Long and horse, 2 days	.	5	00
E. C. Chase, 6 days	.	7	50
F. Morse, 3 days, 4 hours	.	4	25
O. H. Underhill, 16 days, 6 hours	.	19	50
D. M. Mitchell and team, 1 day	.	4	00
G. S. West and team, 8 hours	.	3	20
F. Parker and team, 2 days	.	8	00
J. W. Chase and oxen, 1 day	.	3	00
Geo. Weeks, board plank 506 feet	.	5	06
Matilda McCannon, 32 loads gravel	.	1	92
C. S. Wilcomb & Son, nails	.	29	
J. E. McCannon, 15 days, 6 hours	.	27	30
G. S. Whittemore, horse 1 day	.	1	25
William Brown, 5 days, 5 hours	.	6	87
			\$195 66

Work done in September, 1895.

J. E. McCannon, man and team, 4 days, 5 hours . . .	18 00
O. H. Underhill, 9 days, 5 hours . . .	11 87
G. S. Whittemore, 5 days . . .	6 25
F. Morse, 9 days . . .	11 25
H. Brown, 3 days . . .	3 75
E. C. Chase, 1 day . . .	1 25
E. P. Jones, 1 day . . .	1 25
Page Long, 1 day . . .	1 25
J. W. Chase and oxen, 1 day . . .	3 00
J. E. McCannon, 9 days, 5 hours . . .	16 62
Charles True, 160 feet plank . . .	2 40
Dynamite caps and fuse . . .	7 75
S. G. Healey, 7 days . . .	8 75
Wallace Kimball, 4 days . . .	5 00
	\$98 39

Work done in October, 1895.

J. E. McCannon for man and team 1 day, 5 hours . . .	6 00
E. Jones and horse, 3 days, 2 hours . . .	8 00
Henry Maderson, 4 days, 3 hours . . .	5 38
G. S. Whittemore, 3 days, 7 hours . . .	4 62
O. H. Underhill, 2 days, 1 hour . . .	2 62
J. E. McCannon, 1 day, 5 hours . . .	2 62
E. T. Morse, repairing drills and bars . . .	1 35
E. T. Morse, repairing road machine . . .	1 25
	\$31 84

Work done in November and December, 1895.

G. S. Whittemore, 12 hours . . .	1 50
J. E. McCannon, 1 day . . .	1 25

Paid G. Weeks, 320 feet plank .	3	20	
J. E. McCannon, 3 days .	5	25	
Express on road machine repairs .	55		\$11 75
			\$969 15

REPAIRS ON ROAD MACHINE.

Geo. Tyler & Co. .	10	00	
Express on repairs, road machine .	1	10	
			\$11 10

Dr.

THE TOWN OF CHESTER IN ACCOUNT WITH

1895-96	
To Discount on taxes paid on or before August 1.	59 20
To cash paid for printing and stationery.	45 29
To cash paid for improvements on roads and bridges.	969 15
To cash paid for breaking roads.	20 24
To cash paid school district treasurer for school.	1,458 29
To cash paid for school supplies.	100 65
To cash paid for abatement of taxes.	18 72
To cash paid for Memorial day expenses.	50 00
To cash paid for collecting taxes.	72 01
To cash paid for public watering troughs.	5 90
To cash paid for care and attendance with hearse.	42 00
To cash paid for county tax.	1,135 61
To cash paid for state tax.	1,075 00
To cash paid for care of cemetery.	8 00
To cash paid for returns of births, marriages and deaths.	13 50
To cash paid for miscellaneous bills.	73 00
To cash paid for town treasurer's salary.	25 00
To cash paid for school board's expenses and services.	105 00
To cash paid town clerk's services and expenses.	20 00
To cash paid selectmen's services and expenses.	162 68
To cash paid overseer of the poor services and expenses.	18 26
To cash paid auditors' services.	4 00
To cash paid for auditors', selectmen's and treasurer's expenses.	5 00
To cash paid support of poor.	319 63
To cash paid to aid dependent soldiers.	115 42
To cash paid for public library.	100 00
To cash paid for bounty on hawks.	5 25
To cash paid Mrs. Jane M. Noyes' note and interest.	228 60
To cash paid for damage done by dogs.	3 00
To cash paid for treasurer of school district.	7 00
Cash in treasury to balance.	394 64
	\$6,656 04

GEORGE S. WEST, TOWN TREASURER.

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1895-96.

	By cash in the treasury, Feb. 22, 1895.....	\$76 39
March,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1894.....	100 00
April,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1894.....	675 00
May,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1894.....	50 00
May,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	100 00
June,	By cash of town clerk, for dog license	107 52
June,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	380 00
July,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	730 00
August,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	779 27
Sept.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, interest on taxes of 1894.....	19 73
Sept.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1894.....	50 00
Sept.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	80 00
October,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	225 00
Nov. 11,	By cash hired of Martin Mills.....	250 00
Nov. 21,	By cash hired of Martin Mills.....	250 00
Nov.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	385 00
Dec.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	450 00

1896.

Jan.,	By cash of state treasurer, railroad tax.....	61 34
Jan.,	By cash of state treasurer, savings bank tax.....	1,112 25
Jan.,	By cash of state treasurer, literary fund.....	115 08
Jan.,	By cash of state treasurer, bounty on hawks.....	5 25
Jan.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	250 00
February,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	200 00
February,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, bal. on tax list of 1894.....	22 39
February,	By cash of county, for support of poor.....	158 52
February,	By cash of F. C. Brown, for town hall.....	23 00
February,	By cash of school board, for sale of book.....	30

 \$6,656 04

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

ASSETS.

Balance due on tax list of 1894	.	\$999 93	
Cash in hands of treasurer	.	394 64	
			\$1394 57

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN, FEB. 15, 1896.

Note due Martin Mills, with interest	.	253 92	
Note due Martin Mills, with interest	.	253 50	
			\$507 42
Balance in favor of town	.		\$887 15

GEORGE S. WEST, *Treasurer.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 22, 1896.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of George S. West, town treasurer, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
EDWIN P. JONES,	

REPORT OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Although the public library has ceased to be a new thing it is well patronized, as the following statistics will show.

No. of books in the library	337	
No. Added in 1895, (18 volumes donated and 81 volumes purchased)	99	
Sum total of all the books taken out during the year	4000	
Smallest number taken out in one day	14	
Largest number taken out in one day	72	
Average number	40	
Amount collected in fines for 1895	\$3 97	
Expended by librarian for books	2 27	
Expended by librarian, postage, mucilage etc.	27	
Cash in librarian's hands from fines	———	\$1 43

The following persons donated books during the year: Mrs. B. P. Robie, J. G. Robertson, Carrie B. Hazelton, Lucy C. Bell, Fannie M. Hall, Mrs. Olive McDuffie, E. J. Robie, John M. Emerson, John P. Emerson, Mabel J. Brickett and Isabelle H. Fitz. The following item copied from the minutes of the last business meeting of the Ladies' Library Association will be of interest to all our townspeople: "It was moved that the books of the Chester Ladies Circulating Library Association be donated to the town at such time as a suitable room shall be secured for them. This motion was carried." The prospect of the addition of about one thousand volumes ought to make it worth while to

provide not merely a place that would hold the books, but a place in which we might take wholesome pride. It would be good economy for the town to own the building used for a library, so that what would otherwise be expended for rent might be available for the purchase of new books.

There has been considerable demand for the periodicals to be found in the library. These are the Century magazine, Munsey's, McClure's Review of Reviews and the Granite Monthly. In order that a good supply of magazines might be had for the coming year an entertainment was recently held in the town hall, which consisted of music, vocal and instrumental, and a prize contest in speaking by a number of the school children. The net proceeds were about \$17, which sum is in care of the librarian for the present. This will not only furnish a number of periodicals for the coming year, but will add materially to the stock of new books. The success of the entertainment in which so many took a willing part, and which was patronized by such a good attendance, shows that there is a widespread interest in the library, and that the people are glad to come forward to its support. A good many of our citizens have expressed the desire that when accommodations sufficiently ample are secured, a reading room might be established in connection with the library. This could be done at slight expense and with much benefit to the community. We are indebted again to C. S. Wilcomb & Son for the free use of their store. As the appropriation made at the last town meeting was not large enough to pay for a new building, it was thought best to make use of the present accommodations for this year. A change, however, in the immediate future is imperative as there is no more room for new accessions of books.

A. F. B EDWARDS,	} Trustees of	
JAS. G. ROBERTSON,		Free Public
A. A. BEAN,			Library.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Balance on hand March, 1895	.	\$1 93	
Received from town of Chester	.	105 00	
			\$106 93
1895.			
April 30	paid Sarah P. Webster, 1 book	1 00	
May 10	paid DeWolfe, Fiske & Co. for books	49 52	
June 14	paid DeWolfe, Fiske & Co. for books	16 41	
June 25	paid F. J. Barnard & Co., for rebinding	4 30	
July 10	paid Isabelle H. Fitz, librarian	5 00	
Aug. 21	paid Republican Press Ass'n. (Granite Monthly)	1 50	
Nov. 9	paid A. H. Wilcomb periodicals	7 65	
Jan. 6	paid Isabelle H. Fitz, librarian	5 00	
Jan. 9	paid DeWolfe, Fiske & Co. for books	11 75	
Jan. 9	paid Cong S. S. and Publishing Society, 1 book	1 00	
	paid express on books	1 40	
	Balance on hand	2 40	
			\$106 93

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 22, 1896.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and Trustees of the Free Public Library and find them correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, }
 EDWIN P. JONES, } *Auditors.*

SCHOOL REPORT.

The history of our schools during the past year has not differed materially from that of former years. About the same salaries have been paid to the teachers, and we are confident that they have earned all that they have received. We have had twenty-eight weeks of school, and the average attendance has been as high as we could reasonably expect it to be. In order for the children to receive any permanent benefit from our schools the parents should coöperate with the teachers in the effort to secure regular attendance and good discipline. Education is now compulsory in New Hampshire, and the law requires that each school district shall have a truant officer to see that children between eight and sixteen years of age attend the public schools at least twelve weeks in the year, six weeks of which time must be consecutive. Wallace L. Kimball was appointed to fill the position of truant officer. The enumeration required by law of all children of school age in the school district was made by Mr. Kimball at the beginning of the school year.

During the spring term a vacancy was made in the school board by the removal from town of Rev. E. C. Goodwin, and Herbert W. Robie was chosen by the remaining members of the board to fill his place.

It has been gratifying to many who are interested in the schools to see an increased number of visitors present at the closing exercises. This has a tendency to encourage both teachers and pupils in their work.

We are glad to report that a good degree of progress has been made in all the schools. Emphasis has been laid upon what will be of the most practical value to the pupil in his future career. Thorough training in reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, gram-

mar and geography is the most we can hope to accomplish in a common school. If some pupils who have done well in the common branches could attend Pinkerton Academy for two years, or for the entire course of four years, they would be far better equipped for life than the average American young man or young woman. With such an excellent institution so near, and which will be so accessible after the electric railroad is completed, it is hoped that more of our young people will avail themselves of this grand opportunity to continue their studies beyond the rudiments of learning which are acquired in an ordinary district school.

Those who look over the expenditures made by the school board will note that a somewhat larger sum than usual has been used for repairs. These repairs were needed in order to secure the comfort of those who must occupy the buildings, and to avoid a still greater outlay of funds in the future. Both in the matter of repairs and in furnishing needed supplies care has been taken to form estimates beforehand, so that there might be no waste of public funds. It was thought best after the close of the spring term to discontinue paying for the conveyance of pupils to and from school. This means more weeks of school for 1896 in case the usual appropriation is made at the coming school meeting.

At the last school meeting the proposition was made that it was desirable to have better educational facilities at the center of the town, and the method of securing this result was to be left to the discretion of the school board. After due consideration it was thought best to invite all pupils over fourteen years of age, who had made satisfactory progress in any other school to attend the first division of No. 1 school. A competent teacher was employed, and the pupils who availed themselves of the advantages offered have lent enthusiasm to the school, and general improvement in scholarship has been thus attained.

HERBERT W. ROBIE.	} <i>School Board</i>
JAMES G. ROBERTSON,	
ELEANOR J. LOCKE,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Chester.</i>

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

NO. 1, FIRST DIVISION.

Lulu Marston,*	Gracie Parker,†
Ella Sanborn,†	Zillah Niely,
Carrie Parker,	Stella Smith,
Lilla Lane,	Harriette Lane,
Bessie Wray,	Harris West.
Bertha McDuffie,	

NO. 1, SECOND DIVISION.

Rachel Mackintosh,*	Lilla Mackintosh,*
Lena Webster,*	Ruth Webster,*
Marion Webster,*	Grace Gile,*
Bertie Gile,*	Lillie Parker,†
Helen Healy,†	Elsie Shackford,†
George McDuffie,†	Laura Lane,†
Lydia Woodard,	Alta Edwards,
Nellie Parker,	Margaret West,
Arthur Parker,	Ella Flanders.

SCHOOL NO. 2.

Ethel M. Green,*	Howard Fitz,*
Frank J. Couch,†	Holly Purinton,†
Addie J. Johnson,	Carrie A. Underhill,
George H. Johnson,	Matt Wakefield.
Roy W. Purinton,†	

SCHOOL NO. 3.

Mamie K. Whitmore,*	John Brown,*
Howard Edwards,†	Roger Edwards,†
Addie Southwick,†	Bertha Underhill,†
Willie Underhill,†	Alice Whittemore,†
Helen Edwards,	Sumner Edwards,
Ina Hardy,	Lulu Rand.
George Rand,	

SCHOOLS NO. 5 AND 10.

George F. Hazelton,*	Benjamin W. Lake,*
Perley V. Hazelton,†	James C. Hall,†
Lois M. Currier,	Clara E. Currier,
Minnie A. Hazelton,	Willie H. Owen,
Ruth L. Owen,	Joseph E. Tarlton.
Roy F. Weeks,	

SCHOOL NO. 6.

Jennie West,†	Ella J. Sanborn,
Lilla M. Lane,	Alice M. Dolber,
Ella M. Barnard,	Freddie Barnard,
Johnnie Peck,	Katie West.

SCHOOL NO. 7.

Frankie Crosby,*	Charlie O. Bursiel,†
Emma J. Dorr,†	C. Herbert Woodard,
Laura E. Woodard,	Annetta G. Greene.
J. Stuart Greene,	

* Those perfect in attendance three terms.

† Those in attendance two terms.

PAID FOR TEACHING.

1895.

June	22,	Helen N. Galloupe	.	.	75	00
"	22,	Carrie B. Hazelton	.	.	70	00
"	22,	Elizabeth S. Campbell	.	.	70	00
"	22,	Gertrude J. Green	.	.	60	00
"	22,	Amy N. Flint	.	.	60	00
"	22,	Susie J. Wason	.	.	60	00
"	22,	Lizzie S. Hooke	.	.	60	00
Nov.	22,	Helen N. Galloupe	.	.	82	50
"	22,	Carrie B. Hazelton	.	.	77	00
"	22,	Elizabeth S. Campbell	.	.	77	00
"	22,	Nellie B. Sleeper	.	.	66	00
"	22,	Annette Morse	.	.	66	00
"	22,	Susie J. Wason	.	.	66	00
Dec.	7,	Lizzie S. Hooke	.	.	72	00

1896.

Jan.	17,	Helen N. Galloupe	.	.	52	50
"	17,	Carrie B. Hazelton	.	.	49	00
"	17,	Sara J. Holland	.	.	49	00
"	17,	Nellie B. Sleeper	.	.	42	00
"	17,	Annette Morse	.	.	42	00
"	17,	Susie J. Wason	.	.	42	00
"	17,	Lizzie S. Hooke	.	.	36	00

 \$1,274 00

BILLS BROUGHT OVER FROM 1894.

1895.

April	11,	John Hall	.	.	4	95
Oct.	30,	David Dale	.	.	6	00

 \$10 95

PAID FOR CONVEYING PUPILS.

1895.

June	2,	Amos Sanborn	.	.	15	00
July	16,	Charles True	.	.	8	00

1896.

Feb. 4, William G. Carney . . .	6 00	
		\$29 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

1895.

Dec. 8, Wallace L. Kimball . . .	5 00	
April 16, Mary F. West . . .	5 00	
“ 18, Mrs. Alvira Gile . . .	2 00	
“ 19, F. L. Hazelton . . .	5 0	
“ 22, Mrs. A. M. Wakefield . . .	2 00	
Sept. 2, Mary F. West . . .	2 00	
Oct. 19, Frank West . . .	1 00	
Dec. 24, Mark Sanborn . . .	1 00	
		\$18 50

PAID FOR REPAIRS.

1895.

April 12, Sydney A. Hardy . . .	4 50	
“ 13, J. W. Plaisted & Sons . . .	10 00	
“ 20, John H. Clay . . .	7 50	
Sept. 14, Lincoln Hazelton, . . .	2 90	
Oct. 12, Martin L. Colby . . .	4 00	
Nov. 16, Martin L. Colby . . .	7 20	
Dec. 23, Frank P. Shackford . . .	3 20	

1896.

Jan. 11, William B. Wason . . .	1 00.	
“ 29, C. S. Wilcomb & Son . . .	5 25	
		\$45 55.

WOOD BILLS.

1895.

May 3, Charles N. Fitz . . .	5 00	
Oct. 21, Woodbury Marston . . .	25	
Dec. 11, C. H. Green . . .	4 00	
“ 12, Charles Drowne . . .	50	
“ 13, George W. Southwick . . .	3 25	

Dec. 23,	Frank Gile	.	.	60
" 26,	William P. W. Whittemore	.	.	16 25
" 28,	Garland Smith	.	.	9 25
1896.				
Jan. 16,	Frank Weymouth	.	.	50
" 11,	William B. Wason	.	.	5 00
" 18,	A. P. Morse	.	.	5 50
" 21,	Earl Robinson	.	.	2 25
Feb. 3,	George S. West	.	.	7 40
" 3,	George W. Southwick	.	.	4 00
" 5,	Charles N. Fitz	.	.	87

\$64 62

PAID FOR BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

1895.

Jan. 16,	Charles Bartlett	.	.	1 10
May 1,	Ginn & Co.	.	.	19 77
" 6,	Boston School Supply Co.	.	.	1 20
" 8,	J. L. Beers & Co.	.	.	27 25
" 17,	Edwin E. Babb	.	.	5 81
June 4,	Edwin E. Babb	.	.	88
" 21,	Charles Bartlett	.	.	2 50
Sept.	William Wallace	.	.	75
Nov. 25,	Ginn & Co.	.	.	3 75
Dec. 10,	Ginn & Co.	.	.	3 20
" 12,	Edwin E. Babb	.	.	4 35

1896.

Jan. 29,	C. S. Wilcomb & Son	.	.	10 29
Nov. 11,	Ginn & Co.	.	.	18 06

\$98 91

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Received of town of Chester	.	.	98 91
Received for books sold and paid town treasurer	.	.	30

\$99 21

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 22, 1896.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the School Board for the year past, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

EDWIN P. JONES, *Auditor*.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

SCHOOL MONEY RECEIVED.

Balance from last year	.	.	3	27
Cash from town treasurer	.	.	1,454	29
" " School District of Raymond,				
tuition	.	.	14	00
" " School District of Derry, tuition	.	.	8	40
" " E. E. Rogers	.	.	60	
			<u> </u>	\$1,480 56

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for teachers' salaries	.	.	1,274	00
" " bills of 1894	.	.	10	95
" " conveyance of scholars	.	.	29	00
" " fuel	.	.	64	62
" " miscellaneous bills	.	.	18	50
			<u> </u>	\$1,397 07
Cash in hands of treasurer to balance	.	.	83	49
			<u> </u>	\$83 49
				<u> </u>
				\$1,480 56

EXPENDITURES ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Paid orders for repairs on building	.	.	45	55
Cash in hands of treasurer, to balance	.	.	45	23
			<u> </u>	\$90 78

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year	.	.	90 78	
				\$90 78

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUSTUS P. MORSE, *District Treasurer.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 22, 1896.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the District Treasurer of Chester, for the year past, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

EDWIN P. JONES, *Auditor.*

SCHOOL WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, ROCKINGHAM, SS.

*To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester School District
qualified to vote in District affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on Saturday, the fourteenth day of March, 1896, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer.
5. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the support of schools in addition to that required by law.
7. To see what the district will do in regard to repairing, furnishing and improving school buildings, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.
8. To choose Agents, Auditors, or Committees, in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
9. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Chester, this twenty-fourth day of February, A.D. 1896.

HERBERT W. ROBIE, JAMES G. ROBERTSON, ELEANOR J. LOCKE,	}	<i>School Board of Chester.</i>
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A true copy of warrant. Attest.

HERBERT W. ROBIE, JAMES G. ROBERTSON, ELEANOR J. LOCKE,	}	<i>School Board of Chester.</i>
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SCHOOL TABLE.

No. of School	Terms	Names of Teachers	No. of Weeks	No. of Pupils in														
				Whole No. of Pupils	Reading	Spelling	Pennmanship	Arithmetic	Geography	Grammar	History	Composition	Drawing	Vocal Music	Physiology	Bookkeeping	Algebra	
Number 1st Div.	Spring...	Helen N. Galloupe...	10	27	26	26	26	26	18	25	16	26				1	6	7
	Fall...		11	25	25	25	25	18	24	17	25				7		6	
	Winter		7	23	23	23	23	18	22	15	23				7		4	
Number 2nd Div.	Spring...	Carrie B. Hazelton.....	10	30	30	30	28	19	14				24	30				
	Fall...		11	28	28	28	28	13	4	11			28					
	Winter		7	23	23	23	23	13	4	10			23					
Number 2.	Spring...	Gertrude J. Green.....	10	14	14	5	14	9	9	6	1							
	Fall...		11	14	14	14	14	9	9	6	1	6						
	Winter		7	14	14	14	14	9	9	6	1	6						
Number 3.	Spring...	Elizabeth S. Campbell....	10	25	25	25	25	18	16	11		18	25	11				
	Fall...		11	23	23	23	23	14	10	9						4		
	Winter		7	22	22	22	22	12	15	15			16					
Numbers 5 and 10	Spring...	Sara J. Holland.....	10	17	17	17	15	12	13	1					5	1		
	Fall...		11	15	15	15	15	12	2	1			4	1				
	Winter		7	14	13	13	12	13	12	2								
Number 6.	Spring...	Susie J. Wason.....	10	17	17	17	15	11			6	14		1				
	Fall...		11	10	10	10	10	10	4	1	10			1	2			
	Winter		7	10	10	10	10	10	4	1				2				
Number 7.	Spring...	Amy N. Flint.....	10	14	14	14	10	4	8	2	8					1	2	
	Fall...		11	13	13	13	9	5	5	5								
	Winter		7	15	13	13	13	12	10	8	8	10					2	
	Spring...	Annette Morse.....	10	13	13	13	13	9	5	5	5							
	Fall...		11	13	13	13	13	9	5	5	5							
	Winter		7	15	13	13	13	12	10	8	8	10						

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS,
1895.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 1895.

Date of birth.	Place of birth.	Name of the Child (if any.)	Sex & Con.			Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
			Male or Female	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child.						
1895.											
Jan. 21	Chester.	Roy William.	M	L	2	Herbert L. Chase.	Hattie L. Preston.	Chester.	Auburn.	30	27
" 29	"	Alvah Haven.	F	S	1	Charles A. Sprague.	Annie L. Morse.	Stoneham, Mass.	Chester.	39	28
Feb. 22	"	Mildred Dora.	M	L	1	Charles H. Steele.	Nannie C. Childs.	Draught, Mass.	Chester.	25	26
Mar. 1	"	Nellie Winifred.	F	L	1	Stephen A. Steele.	Esther E. Berney.	Campton.	Suncook.	36	28
" 4	"	Fred Peary.	M	L	2	John M. Parker.	Addie C. Underhill.	Candia.	Chester.	32	26
April 1	"	Adell Augusta.	M	L	1	Fred P. McFarland.	Levina I. Colby.	Lynn, Mass.	York, Ohio.	20	19
" 10	"	Emma Pearl.	F	L	6	George D. Rand.	Lenora L. Parker.	Chester.	Candia.	46	38
July 24	"	Violet Annie.	F	L	1	Nathan W. Goldsmith.	Mary W. Kimball.	Chester.	Dexter, Me.	36	27
Aug. 17	"	William Henry.	M	L	1	George M. Amerige.	Clara F. Walker.	Maplewood, Mass.	Boston, Mass.	22	22
" 28	"	Millie Frances.	F	L	1	Guy Lawrence.	Eliza R. Fisk.		Chester.	19	16
Sept. 25	"	Beatrice May.	F	L	4	Frank Dohier.	S. Jennie Dearborn.	Candia.	Chester.	44	44
Oct. 27	"	Edith Eliza.	F	L	4	George E. Turner.	Jennie C. Gleason.	Candia.	Chester.	25	26
" 28	"	Bessie May.	F	L	4	Robert H. Hazelton.	Hannah M. Hall.	Chester.	Chester.	41	30
Nov. 24	"	Lillian Frances.	F	L	2	Frank T. Smith.	Ida L. Brown.	Chester.	New Bedford, Mass.	23	18
Dec. 13	"		F	L	2	Willace L. Kimball.	Laura F. Johnson.	Chester.	Kingston.	33	20

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 1895.

Date 1895	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Color of each	Occu- pation of Groom and Bride	Place of birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married.
Apr. 16	Chester....	William F. Warren.... and Emma A. Crosby.....	Chester.....	41 w	Farmer	Hudson.....	William..... Eliza A. Brown..... Nathaniel H. Carrier...	.....	Jas. G. Robertson, Clergyman, N. H. Chester, N. H.
May 14	Chester....	Charles T. Brown..... and Nellie M. Bickford.....	Chester.....	25	Shoemaker	Chester.....	George L. Emma A. Holman..... Cynthia J. Piper..... Hartwell H. Bickford..	.....	E. C. Goodwin, Baptist Minister, Chester, N. H.
Nov. 12	Chester....	William H. West, 2nd.. and Laura B. Morse.....	Chester.....	22	Farmer	Lowell, Mass.	Helen Stafford..... George M. Nancy A. Bennenway..	.....	Jas. G. Robertson, Minister of the Gos- pel, Chester, N. H.
Nov. 28	Auburn....	John D. Fiske..... and Martha A. Emery.....	Chester.....	28	Black- smith	Chester.....	Edward T. Morse..... Lois C. Webster..... Freeman..... Emily Angel..... Sylvester E. Emery ...	.....	Rev. Albert G. Smith, Elder in the Metho- dist Church, Auburn, N. H.
			Auburn.....	17		Auburn.....	Eva E. Piper.....	.....	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 1895.

Date, 1895,	Place of Death,	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex and Color.		Occupation.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.
			Years, Months, Days.	Sex, Color.						
1895,	Chester.....	Emmons W. Pullen....	1 22		Chester	M	W	.....	Everett E.....	Mary Hunt.....
Jan, 11	"	Mary Ann Sulter.....	77 6 3		Epsom	F	D	Shoemaker	Alexander Sulter	Mary J.....
" 18	"	Joseph Johnson.....	24 8 13		Chester	M	W	Hack Driver	Joseph	Elizabeth Smith.....
" 28	"	Joseph H. Ford	68		England	M	M	.....	Ifram Dickson	Maria Beck.....
Feb, 27	"	Amelia A. Sanborn....	33 11 1		Moncton, N. B.	F	M	.....	Edward Hill.....	Dorcas Sawyer.....
Mar, 5	"	Dorcas S. Dennis.....	74 11 1		Chester	F	W	Shoemaker	Josiah Purington.....	Ann Robinson.....
" 14	"	Green Dennis.....	75 8		New York mass	M	W	Farmer	John	Ruth Page.....
" 19	"	Betsey R. West	83 11 6		Epping	F	W	Farmer	Joseph	Charlotti Quinby.....
" 26	"	Cyrus Lane	67 10 18		Chester	M	W	Farmer	Charles A. Nichols.....	Caroline A. Chase.....
" 27	"	John B. Rand	82 6		Gilford	M	W	Farmer	Charles	Ancilla Underhill.....
" 30	"	Noah H. Weeks	75 6 12		Chester	M	W	Farmer	James	Hannah Currier.....
May 7	"	Mary J. Drown	72 6 28		Canada	F	M	Farmer	Jose Woodman.....	Lydia Shannon.....
July 11	"	Mildred E. Nichols....	41		Chester	F	M	.....	James	Deborah
July 24	"	Lewis B. Chase	85 4 21		Chester	M	W	Farmer	Robert Barrett.....	Betsy Hemphill.....
Aug, 4	"	Jonathan Shackford ..	71 11 14		Chester	M	W	Mechanic	Stephen	Dorcas.....
Sept, 14	"	Matilda A. Morse	90 10 7		East Kingston.....	M	W	Farmer .....	.....	Dolly Pillsbury.....
Oct, 17	"	Nathaniel H. Currier...	81 10		Concord	M	W	Shoemaker .....	.....	.....
" 21	"	John West	78 8 10		Exeter	M	W	Farmer .....	.....	.....
Nov, 6	"	Mary W. Seavey.....	59 5		Nashua	F	M	Farmer		
Dec, 20	"	Joseph Webster.....	88 8 23		Hampstead	M	M	Farmer		
" 24	"									





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ANNUAL REPORTS _____

... OF THE ...

TOWN OF CHESTER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, OVERSEER  POOR,

TOWN TREASURER, TOWN CLERK, ROAD AGENTS,
SCHOOL BOARD, LIBRARY TRUSTEES,
AND AUDITORS.

FOR THE

TOWN OF CHESTER,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15th, 1897.

DERRY, N. H. :
CHARLES BARTLETT,
PRINTER,
1897.

TOWN WARRANT.

[L. S.] STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester qualified to vote in town affairs :

YOU are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects :

ARTICLE I. To choose all necessary town officers and agents for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE II. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools ; for the maintenance of the poor ; for the laying out and repairing highways, and building and repairing bridges ; for paying the town debts and defraying interest thereon ; and for other necessary charges arising in said town.

ARTICLE III. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE IV. To see if the town will vote to build a new town hall.

ARTICLE V. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in addition to that required by law to purchase books for the Free Public Library.

ARTICLE VI. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for salary of librarian and defray running expenses of the library.

ARTICLE VII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the decoration of soldiers' graves.

ARTICLE VIII. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a water supply in the village in addition to that left by Jonathan Pressey.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-second day of February, A. D. 1897.

GEORGE D. RAND,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
WALLACE L. KIMBALL,	
EDWARD T. MORSE,	
	<i>of</i>
	} <i>Chester.</i>

A true copy of warrant. Attest :

GEORGE D. RAND,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
WALLACE L. KIMBALL,	
EDWARD T. MORSE,	
	<i>of</i>
	} <i>Chester.</i>

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1896.

MODERATOR—Addison A. Bean.

TOWN CLERK—Cyrus F. Marston.

SELECTMEN—George D. Rand, Wallace L. Kimball, Edward
T. Morse.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR—Edward T. Morse.

TOWN TREASURER—George S. West.

ROAD AGENT—George S. West.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—Arthur H. Wilcomb.

SCHOOL BOARD—James G. Robertson, Eleanor J. Locke, Sarah
P. Webster.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER—James G. Robertson.

REPRESENTATIVE—Arthur H. Whitcomb.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES—James G. Robertson, Addison A. Bean,
Albert F. B. Edwards.

CONSTABLES—Edwin P. Jones, Arthur H. Wilcomb, Arthur
Underhill.

SUPERVISORS—Alonzo A. West, George L. Converse, Albert F.
B. Edwards.

AUDITORS—Cyrus F. Martin, Addison A. Bean, Martin Mills.

MODERATOR FOR 1897-98—Nathan W. Goldsmith.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

VALUATION.

Improved and unimproved lands and buildings.

Resident . . .	\$255,852 00
Nonresident . . .	44,650 00
Polls, 207 . . .	20,700 00
Horses, 239 . . .	12,995 00
Oxen, 16 . . .	706 00
Cows, 353 . . .	9,514 00
Other neat stock, 9 . . .	212 00
Sheep, 83 . . .	158 00
Hogs, 4 . . .	40 00
Carriages, 3 . . .	215 00
Bank stock . . .	5,802 00
Money at interest . . .	6,684 00
Stock in trade . . .	6,000 00
Mills, machinery, etc. . .	3,883 00
	—————\$367,411 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

State tax . . .	\$935 00
County tax . . .	985 86
Town tax . . .	1 00
Highway tax . . .	1,250 00
School tax required by law . . .	935 00

Additional school money raised by tax	300 00	
For Public Library building	200 00	
Books for Public Library	100 00	
Memorial	50 00	
School house repairs	50 00	
Overlay	152 19	
		\$4,959 05
Rate per cent. of taxation on \$1,000	\$13 50	

AMOUNT OF SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount required by law	\$935 00	
Additional amount raised by tax	300 00	
Literary fund	115 08	
Balance of dog license, 1895	104 52	
		\$1,454 60

The selectmen and overseers of the poor
have given orders on the town treasurer
for the payment of the following
bills :

ROAD AGENT EXPENSES.

Paid Geo. S. West for labor and lumber for highways and bridges	\$1,946 06	
		\$1,946 06

BREAKING ROADS.

1896.

April 18 paid Wallace L. Kimball	\$3 38
April 18 paid Frank Dolber	3 72
April 18 paid L. B. Richardson	3 64
May 1 paid Geo. L. Fitz	11 59
Dec. 19 paid Edwin Jones	1 87

1897.

Feb.	9	paid Dale Bros.	.	50	
Feb.	15	paid Geo. S. West	.	26	53
Feb.	15	paid J. E. McCannon	.	5	38
Feb.	15	paid John M. Parker	.	3	00
					\$59 61

SCHOOL MONEY.

1896.

June	5	paid James G. Robertson, treas- urer of school district	.	500	00
Nov.	10	paid James G. Robertson	.	550	00

1897.

Jan.	12	paid James G. Robertson	.	404	60
					\$1,454 60

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

1896.

Sept.	3	paid James G. Robertson, treas- urer of school district	.	50	00
					\$50 00

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

1896.

May	6	paid school board	.	\$47	47
June	5	paid school board	.	22	58
Oct.	23	paid school board	.	23	14

1897.

Jan.	12	paid school board	.	16	88
Feb.	9	paid school board	.	10	33
Feb.	15	paid school board	.	3	23
					\$123 63

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

1896.

May	4	paid Edward T. Morse for town officer	\$2 50
May	14	paid Edson C. Eastman for tax collector's book	93
July	27	paid Edson C. Eastman for two order and receipt books	3 35
Nov.	10	paid Edson C. Eastman for 12 presidential town warrants	62
Nov.	10	paid R. Bower & Son for 18 card notices to bicycle riders	1 10

1897.

Feb.	13	paid Arthur H. Wilcomb for tax bills	1 30
Feb.	15	paid Charles Bartlett for 500 town reports, 50 blank notices, one record book, and printing check-lists done in 1896	44 85

 \$54 65

PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING.

1896.

Mar.	11	paid James G. Robertson, trustee of public library for purchase of Samuel Marston building	\$187 50
May	19	paid Luther W. Hall for labor	202 75
Oct.	23	paid James G. Robertson for furnishings	11 45
July	6	paid James G. Robertson for furnishings	20 20

1897.

Feb.	9	paid James G. Robertson for library repairs	6 74	
				\$428 64

BOOKS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY.

1896.

May	6	paid James G. Robertson	\$50 00	
July	6	paid James G. Robertson	50 00	
				\$100 00

CEMETERY FENCE.

1896.

May	20	paid B. A. Haselton for 8 stone posts	\$25 50	
May	25	paid G. D. Rand for drawing stone posts	6 00	
June	3	paid A. F. B. Edwards for lumber	8 80	
June	10	paid Mark Sanborn for labor	13 25	
July	1	paid C. A. Nichols for paint and labor	12 43	
Dec.	19	paid E. T. Morse for stock and labor	5 00	
				\$70 98

CARE AND ATTENDANCE WITH HEARSE.

1896.

Aug. 3 paid Alonzo A. West for the following

1895,

Dec.	25	Joseph Webster	\$2 00	
Jan.	3	Elmer Hall	2 00	
Jan.	9	Miss Elizabeth Carney	2 00	

1896.

Mar.	13	Mrs. Mary J. Freeman	2 00	
Mar.	18	Mrs. Elizabeth Crawford	2 00	

Mar.	29	Barbara Ellen Carney	.	2 00
Mar.	31	Mrs. Lydia A. Steele	.	2 00
April	15	Mrs. Sarah M. Heald	.	2 00
May	10	Willie P. Underhill	.	2 00
May	17	Mrs. Mary J. Brown	.	2 00
June	7	Joseph Smith	.	2 00

1897.

Feb. 9 paid Alonzo A. West for the following :

1896.

June	27	William S. Parker	.	2 00
Aug.	24	William D. Smith	.	2 00
Sept.	9	Henry Moore	.	2 00
Nov.	4	Henry Matthewson	.	2 00
Nov.	8	Emerson H. Childs	.	2 00
Dec.	13	William Crawford	.	2 00

1897.

Feb.	4	Mrs. Sarah A. Kelley	.	2 00
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 \$36 00

DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

1896.

Aug.	13	paid Arthur H. Wilcomb for discount on taxes paid on or before Aug 1st	.	\$72 53
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 \$72 53

COLLECTING TAXES.

1897.

Feb.	13	paid Arthur H. Wilcomb for collecting taxes on list of 1895	.	\$15 30
Feb.	13	paid Arthur H. Wilcomb for collecting taxes on list of 1896	.	45 92

 \$61 22

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1897.

Feb.	3	paid C. W. F. Spiller paid in Pittsfield, 1896	\$1 35	
Feb.	20	paid A. H. Wilcomb on list of 1895 :		
		James Knight, left town	1 25	
		Fred N. Spofford, left town	1 25	
		F. C. Brown, Jr., left town	1 25	
		Ernest Raymond, unable	1 25	
		John D. Fisk, left town	1 25	
				\$7 60

RETURNS OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

1897.

Feb.	15	paid Arthur L. Emerson, M. D. for 14 deaths	\$3 50	
		for 8 births	2 00	
Feb.	20	paid Cyrus F. Marston, 2 deaths	50	
Feb.	20	paid Cyrus F. Marston, 2 births	50	
Feb.	20	paid W. R. Sanders, M. D., 2 deaths, 1895	50	
				\$7 00

PUBLIC WATERING TROUGHS.

1896.

July	31	paid G. D. Rand for new watering trough in district No. 3	\$25 00	
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1897.

Feb.	9	paid Ebenezer Marden, furnish- ing watering place in 1896	3 00	
Feb.	15	paid G. D. Rand for labor on stone watering trough	1 05	
				\$29 05

BOUNTY ON HAWKS.

1897.

Feb.	15	paid E. T. Morse for 22 hawks	\$5 50	
Feb.	15	paid G. D. Rand for 8 hawks	2 00	
Feb.	15	paid W. L. Kimball, 6 hawks	1 50	
				\$9 00

DAMAGE DONE BY DOGS.

1897.

Feb.	13	paid Geo. W. Currier for damage done to sheep by dogs,		
	1896		\$20 00	
Feb.	15	paid Dwight M. Mitchell for sheep killed by dogs in 1896	2 50	
				\$22 50

CARE OF CEMETERY.

1896.

Dec.	19	paid Robert H. Hazelton	\$8 00	
				\$8 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

1896.

May	26	paid Edward J. Robie	\$50 00	
				\$50 00

REPAIRS ON ROAD MACHINE.

1896.

May	4	paid George Tyler & Co., Boston, Mass.	\$8 50	
Sept.	8	paid George Tyler & Co.	5 00	
Dec.	19	paid E. T. Morse	3 25	
				\$16 75

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

1896.

May 25	paid Nelson Gillingham, land for gravel pit	\$25 00
June 3	paid A. F. B. Edwards for lumber	10 75
Aug. 13	paid A. H. Wilcomb for insur- ing town hall	10 00
Sept. 21	paid Arthur Underhill, police services July 4th	2 00
Sept. 21	paid Arthur Underhill for fight- ing forest fire May 18 and 19	2 00
Sept. 21	paid Arthur Underhill for ser- vices and expenses as dog killer	3 75
Nov. 10	paid E. P. Jones for police ser- vices July 4	2 00
Nov. 10	paid W. R. C., election officers expenses Nov. 3	2 10
Dec. 2	paid Arthur Underhill for police services Sept. 22	2 00
Dec. 2	paid Arthur Underhill for police services Nov. 3	2 00
Dec. 19	paid E. P. Jones for police ser- vices Sept. 22 and Nov. 3	4 00
Dec. 28	paid Charles P. Robinson for police services Sept. 22	2 00

1897.

Feb. 9	paid Dale Bros. for 6 guide posts	4 71
Feb. 9	paid C. H. Edwards for fighting forest fire May 18 and 19, '96	2 50
Feb. 9	paid James W. Towle for police services on Sept. 22, 1896	2 00

Feb.	15	paid David Cross for counsel in		
	1896		1 00	
				\$77 81

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

1897.

Feb.	15	paid James G. Robertson	\$39 25	
Feb.	15	paid Sarah P. Webster	34 50	

1896.

Dec.	26	paid Eleanor J. Locke	27 00	
				\$100 75

TOWN CLERK'S SERVICES.

1897.

Feb.	9	paid Cyrus F. Marston	\$20 00	
				\$20 00

TOWN TREASURER'S SERVICES.

Feb.	15	paid George S. West	\$25 00	
				\$25 00

TREASURER OF SCHOOL DISTRICT, SERVICES.

Feb.	15	paid James Robertson	\$7 00	
				\$7 00

ROAD AGENT'S SERVICES.

Feb.	9	paid Geo. S. West	\$116 38	
				\$116 38

SUPERVISORS' SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Feb.	9	paid Alonzo A. West	\$8 00	
Jan.	13	paid George L. Converse	8 00	
Feb.	9	paid A. F. B. Edwards	8 00	
				\$24 00

SELECTMEN'S SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Feb.	20 paid Geo. D. Rand . . .	\$59 64	
Feb.	20 paid Wallace L. Kimball . . .	30 80	
Feb.	20 paid Edward T. Morse . . .	23 25	
			\$113 69

OVERSEER OF THE POOR, SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Feb.	20 paid Edward T. Morse . . .	\$24 25	
			\$24 25

AUDITORS' SERVICES.

Feb.	20 paid Cyrus F. Marston . . .	\$2 00	
Feb.	20 paid Addison A. Bean . . .	2 00	
Feb.	20 paid Martin Mills . . .	2 00	
			\$6 00

SELECTMEN AND AUDITORS' EXPENSES.

Feb.	20 paid Addison A. Bean . . .	\$5 00	
			\$5 00

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE D. RAND,
WALLACE L. KIMBALL, } *Selectmen*
EDWARD T. MORSE, } *of*
 } *Chester.*

NOTICE.

All taxes assessed in the town of Chester for the year 1896 not paid on or before the first day of April next will be advertised and collected as the law directs.

ARTHUR H. WILCOMB, *Collector.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 22, 1897.

REPORT OF EDWARD T. MORSE, OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

SARAH M. HEALD.

Paid Eunice Parker for board from Jan.		
29, 1896 to March 14, 1896 .	\$20 00	
Sarah J. Hill for board .	6 00	
		\$26 00

MRS. JOHN WEST.

Paid Mrs. Albert Knippee for 4 weeks'		
board . . .	\$12 00	
Mrs. Orrin West of Raymond for		
care and attendance during sick-		
ness at Raymond . .	46 00	
G. H. Guptill, M. D., for professional		
services . . .	30 00	
		\$88 00

HIRAM S. DROWNS.

Paid Mrs. J. L. Drowns for board from		
Sept. 10, 1896 to Feb. 15, 1897	\$67 50	
George D. Rand for board and fare		
to Derry and making deed and		
recording the same . .	11 29	
		\$78 79

LUTHER W. MORSE.

Paid Mrs. Fannie West for board from		
Aug. 25, 1896 to Feb. 2, 1897	\$46 00	
Arthur L. Emerson, M. D., for pro-		
fessional services . .	1 00	
		\$47 00

HENRY MATHEWSON.

Paid Charles L. Drowns for care from		
Oct. 24 to Nov. 6, 1896	\$16 00	
Edward T. Morse for goods furnished	1 95	
Arthur L. Emerson for professional		
services	8 50	
		\$26 45

AID FURNISHED DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

NATHAN NORTON.

Paid Albert F. B. Edwards for care of		
Nathan Norton from April 2,		
1896 to Feb. 15, 1897	\$135 57	

GEORGE F. SMALL.

Paid George D. Rand for 4 cords wood	14 00	
		149 57

TRANSIENT.

Paid E. P. Jones for lodging 20 transients	\$20 00	
G. D. Rand " 3 "	3 00	
W. L. Kimball " 1 "	1 00	
G. L. Converse " 4 "	4 00	
W. H. Thayer " 3 "	3 00	
Albert Knippee " 1 "	1 00	
Charles Stevens " 1 "	1 00	
E. P. Jones taking Fred Griffin to		
County Farm	2 87	
		\$35 87

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Arthur L. Emerson, professional ser-		
vices to Elizabeth Fisk's child	75	
		75

Total amount for support of poor in town		\$452 43
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COUNTY PAUPERS.

LOIS S. CURRIER AND CHILDREN.

Paid C. K. Emery for board of Lois S. Currier and children from Feb. 13, 1896 to Feb. 16, 1897	\$132 50	
		\$132 50

KERNELUMN J. WINSLOW.

Paid C. S. Wilcomb & Son for goods fur- nished	\$19 23	
Arthur L. Emerson, M. D., for pro- fessional services	1 25	
		\$20 48

GEORGE THOMPSON.

Paid C. S. Wilcomb & Son for goods fur- nished	\$ 77	
Webster Bros. for goods furnished	2 00	
		2 77
		\$155 75

Collected of Rockingham County and paid town treasurer		\$155 75
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EDWARD T. MORSE,
Overseer of the Poor.

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 20, 1897.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen and overseer of the poor for the year ending February 15, 1897, and find them correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
ADDISON A. BEAN,	
MARTIN MILLS,	

STATEMENT OF GEO. S. WEST, ROAD AGENT,

For work done in April, 1896.

Paid S. S. Warren, in Dist. No. 9	.	\$31 22	
S. G. Healey, in Dist. No. 5	.	44 36	
W. S. Parker, in Dist. No. 2	.	34 68	
C. O. Morse, in Dist. Nos. 8 and 17		7 50	
E. P. Jones, in Dist. No. 3	.	16 38	
G. S. West, man and team	.	4 75	
A. J. Lane, in Dist. No. 12	.	10 12-	
			\$149 01

Work done in May by sub-agents.

Paid A. T. Underhill, in Dist. No. 1	.	40 76	
W. S. Parker, in Dist. No. 2	.	8 70	
E. P. Jones, in Dist. No. 3	.	63 88	
A. J. Lane, in Dist. No. 12	.	33 98	
L. B. Richardson, in Dist. No. 6	.	25 50	
C. H. Smith, in Dist. No. 16	.	29 45	
C. H. Edwards, in Dist. No. 14	.	24 75	
S. G. Healey, in Dist. No. 5	.	12 75	
C. O. Morse, in Dist. Nos. 8 and 17		14 50	
A. H. West, for team on machine	.	11 20	
D. Mitchell, for team on machine		4 00	
H. H. Bickford, for team on machine		2 00	
Dale Bros. for team on machine	.	8 00	
G. S. West, man and team	.	13 58	
			\$293 05

Work done in June by sub-agents.

Paid L. B. Richardson, in Dist. No. 6	.	19 13	
E. P. Jones, in Dist. No. 3	.	110 22	

C. O. Morse, in Dist. Nos. 8 and 17	28 38
S. G. Healey, in Dist. No. 5	10 87
A. T. Underhill, in Dist. No. 1	53 76
A. J. Lane, in Dist. No. 12	13 86
James Owen, in Dist. No. 13	31 52
I. J. Lovering, in Dist. No. 11	54 00
Edward West, in Dist. No. 10	32 88
W. L. Kimball, for plank	13 59
G. S. West, man and team	32 76
	\$400 97

Work done in district No. 2 in June by road agent,
filling and widening.

Paid G. Morse, 17 days	21 25
F. Smith, 15 days, 2 hours	19 00
J. G. Hall, 17 days	21 25
J. Hooper, 17 days	21 25
R. Fanning, 18 days	22 50
C. Fitz, 9 days	11 25
F. Kendall, 17 days	21 25
A. Leighton, 12 days	15 00
B. Healey, 7 days	8 75
W. Healey, 7 days,	8 75
George Mackintosh, 9 days	11 25
C. H. Webster, 4 days	5 00
T. Curtis, 6 days	7 50
W. Stowe, 5 days	6 25
W. Parker	7 25
Geo. Fitz, with team 15 days, 8 1-2 hours	63 40
C. P. Robinson, with team 14 days, 8 hours	59 20

H. H. Bickford, with team, 13 days,		
5 hours . . .	54	00
J. Buchanan, with team, 10 days	25	00
W. Martin, with team, 5 days .	20	00
E. Robinson, 6 days . . .	6	00
H. W. Burgett for filling .	100	00
G. L. Fitz for use of plow .	2	35
G. S. West for use of plow .	1	50
		\$538 95

Work done in district No. 2 in August, by road agent.

Paid E. Jones, 7 days, 5 hours .	9	38
E. E. Gifford, 6 days, 5 hours .	7	50
E. P. Jones, 6 days, . . .	8	13
C. Cook, 4 days, 1 hour .	5	13
J. Fisk, 7 days, 3 hours . .	9	13
George Morse, 7 days . . .	8	75
C. H. Webster, 5 days, 5 hours .	6	88
James Gerah, 6 days, 3 hours .	7	88
C. P. Robinson, with team, 5 days,		
7 1-3 hours . . .	17	23
Geo. Mackintosh, 4 days, 5 hours .	5	63
F. A. Morse, 5 days, 5 hours .	6	88
H. H. Bickford, with team, 2 days	8	00
A. A. Bean, with team, 2 days .	8	00
A. A. Bean, one man, 2 days .	2	50
Geo. S. West, team and man 8 days	32	00
T. Curtis, 2 days, 5 hours .	3	13
A. Seavey for 2 covering stones .	1	00
C. S. Wilcomb & Son for 18 lbs. spikes	7	2
		\$147 87

Work done in August by sub-agents.

Paid A. T. Underhill, in Dist. No. 1	3 00
C. H. Steele, in Dist. No. 4	7 39
Paid S. S. Warren, in Dist. No. 9	18 19
L. B. Richardson, in Dist. No. 6	23 15
A. H. West, for team on machine	8 00

 \$59 73

Work done in September by sub-agents.

Paid A. T. Underhill, in Dist. No. 1	10 16
A. T. Underhill, in Dist. No. 1 for 154 loads gravel bought of G.	
D. Rand, at .05	7 70

For work done in Dist. No. 2.

Paid E. Jones, 5 days	6 25
E. E. Gifford, 6 days, 4 hours	8 00
Geo. Morse, 10 days	12 50
James Gerah, 10 days	12 50
Geo. Mackintosh, 4 days	5 00
F. A. Morse, 10 days	12 50
C. Cook, 9 days	11 25
J. Fisk, 5 days	6 25
T. Curtis, 4 days, 8 hours	6 00
H. H. Bickford, with team, 2 days, 5 hours	10 00
C. P. Robinson, with team, 1 day, 5 hours	6 00
E. P. Jones, 4 days	5 00
J. G. Hall, 4 days	5 00
Arthur McDuffee, 4 days	5 00
F. Kendall, 3 days	3 75
H. Brown, 1 day	1 25
W. L. Kimball, for 300 feet plank	19 50

G. S. West, team and man 6 days .	24 00
E. Stockwell, for 12 hours .	1 50

 \$179 11

Work done in October-by sub-agents.

Paid James Owen, in Dist. No. 15 .	30 39
Martin L. Colby, in Dist. No. 13 .	22 82
J. G. Hall, in Dist. No. 2 .	7 73
Ruben Fanning, in Dist. No. 2 .	4 00
E. Stockwell,	1 25
G. S. West, with team and man, 2 days	8 00

 \$74 19

For railing bridge near Mark Sanborn's.

Paid Dale Bros. for 2131 feet chestnut lumber	31 51
Mark Sanborn, for labor	5 50
Robert Hazelton, for labor	4 65
F. A. Morse	2 50
E. T. Morse	1 00
Webster Bros., 21 lbs. spikes	84

 \$46 00

Work done in November, by sub-agents.

Paid C. H. Edwards, in Dist. No. 14 .	13 23
A. J. Lane, in Dist. No. 12 .	2 37
C. H. Green for 31 poles .	12 00
C. H. Green for 44 posts .	4 40
Dale Bros. for drawing shavings in spring	4 50
Geo. S. West, man and team .	3 00
Geo. S. West for 150 feet of plank .	2 25
C. H. Webster work in Dist. 7 .	2 61
Amos Hooper, work in Dist. 7 .	1 25
C. H. Smith for 422 feet of plank .	5 74

 \$51 35

Work done in January, 1897.

Paid J. G. Hall in Dist. No. 2	.	1	38	
C. P. Robinson in Dist. No. 2	.	1	20	
C. O. Morse in Dist. No. 8 and 17	.	3	25	
				\$5 83
				\$1,946 06

DR.

THE TOWN OF CHESTER IN ACCOUNT WITH

1896-97.

To discount on taxes paid on or before August 1.....	\$72 53
To cash paid for printing and stationery.....	54 65
To cash paid for improvements on roads and bridges.....	1,946 06
To cash paid for breaking roads.....	59 61
To cash paid school district treasurer for schools.....	1,454 60
To cash paid for school supplies.....	123 63
To cash paid for abatement of taxes.....	7 60
To cash paid for Memorial Day expenses.....	50 00
To cash paid for collecting taxes.....	61 22
To cash paid for public watering troughs.....	29 05
To cash paid for care and attendance with hearse.....	36 00
To cash paid for county tax.....	985 86
To cash paid for state tax.....	935 00
To cash paid for care of cemetery.....	8 00
To cash paid for returns of births, marriages and deaths.....	7 00
To cash paid for miscellaneous bills.....	77 81
To cash paid for treasurer's salary.....	25 00
To cash paid for school board's services and expenses.....	100 75
To cash paid for town clerk's services and expenses.....	20 00
To cash paid for selectmen's services and expenses.....	113 69
To cash paid for overseer of poor, services and expenses.....	24 25
To cash paid for auditors' services.....	6 00
To cash paid for selectmen's and auditors' expenses.....	5 00
To cash paid for support of poor.....	467 09
To cash paid to aid dependent soldiers.....	149 57
To cash paid for public library.....	100 00
To cash paid for bounty on hawks.....	9 00
To cash paid Martin Mills, two notes and interest.....	537 86
To cash paid for damage done by dogs.....	22 50
To cash paid for school board treasurer's services.....	7 00
To cash paid for school house repairs.....	50 00
To cash paid for public library building.....	428 64
To cash paid for cemetery fence.....	70 98
To cash paid for repairs on road machine.....	16 75
To cash paid for highways agents' services and expenses.....	116 38
To cash paid for supervisors' services.....	24 00
Cash in treasury to balance.....	3 00

 \$8,202 08

GEORGE S. WEST, TOWN TREASURER.

Cr.

1896-97.		
	By cash in the treasury February 22, 1896.....	\$394 64
March,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	500 00
April,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	200 00
May,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	200 00
	By cash of selectmen, for Mrs. Heald's goods.....	21 30
	By cash of selectmen, for hearse and runners.....	17 50
June,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1895.....	99 91
June,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	350 00
June 20,	By cash hired of John T. Ramsey.....	500 00
July,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	975 00
August,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	1,024 19
Sept.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	225 00
October.	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	300 00
Oct. 2,	By cash hired of Augustus P. Morse.....	500 00
Nov.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	100 00
Dec.,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	300 00
1897.		
January,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	200 00
January,	By cash of state treasurer, railroad tax.....	48 28
January,	By cash of state treasurer, savings bank tax.....	999 06
January,	By cash of state treasurer, literary fund.....	107 80
January,	By cash of state treasurer, bounty on hawks.....	9 00
January,	By cash of town clerk, for dog licenses.....	114 02
February,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	300 00
February,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, interest on taxes, 1895.	20 09
	By cash of Mrs. Heald's estate.....	67
Feb. 16,	By cash hired of Webster Bros.	400 00
Feb. 20,	By cash of A. H. Wilcomb, on tax list of 1896.....	53 57
Feb.,	By cash of county for support of poor.....	155 30
Feb.,	By cash of F. C. Brown, for use of town hall.....	21 50
Feb.,	By cash hired of Geo. D. Rand.....	69 25

\$8206 08

114,02
22,50

92,52
375

96,27

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

ASSETS.

Balance due on tax list of 1896	.	\$1,131	29	
Note against Hiram L. and Wallace H.				
Drown	.	450	00	
				\$1,581 29
Balance in the hands of treasurer	.			3 00
				<u>\$1,584 29</u>

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN FEBRUARY 20, 1897.

Note due John T. Ramsey with interest				
at 6 per cent.	.	\$520	00	
Note due Augustus P. Morse, with interest				
at 5 per cent.	.	509	60	
Note due Webster Bros. with interest at				
4 per cent.	.	400	18	
Note due Geo. D. Rand	.	69	25	
				<u>\$1,499 03</u>
Balance in favor of town	.			\$85 26

GEORGE S. WEST, *Treasurer.*

CHESTER, N. H. Feb. 20, 1897.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of George S. West town treasurer, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
ADDISON A. BEAN,	
MARTIN MILLS,	

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REPORT OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The number of catalogued books in the library is 1219, exclusive of 50 paper covered books, for which there is an occasional call. During the year 1896 the total number of books taken out was 4800. The largest number withdrawn in one day was 92; the smallest number 18; average number 47. The number of families using the library in 1896 was 165. About 80 per cent. of the books read were books of fiction.

The librarian makes the following financial statement:

Money received in fines during 1896	.	\$5 30	
Balance from 1895	.	1 43	
			\$6 73
Expended for books and needed supplies		\$2 28	
Cash on hand to balance	.	4 45	
			\$6 73

The following persons have presented books to the library: John W. Noyes, Geo. Converse, E. J. Robie, Frank Weymouth, A. F. B. Edwards, George F. Willey of Manchester, D. H. King, Miss E. J. Locke, Miss Lucy Learnard, Miss Elizabeth S. Campbell, and Mrs. Skillings. Thanks are due to Mr. Couch for the gift of a quantity of wood, and to Leon Richardson for drawing the same to the library without charge to the town.

A number of our citizens have said that the librarian ought to have a stated salary, and a larger one than she has hitherto received. With this sentiment the trustees heartily concur. The librarian has not only cared faithfully for the books of the library, but has had the entire care of the room. We hope that some ac-

tion will be taken at town meeting in the way of appropriating a definite sum to cover the librarian's salary, and the running expenses of the library, so that the appropriation for the purchase of books may be used entirely for the purpose for which it is intended. By the way the library is patronized it is evident that it is believed to be a good investment, and we are confident that it will be generously supported.

A new catalogue has been prepared, and will soon be ready for distribution. Part of the expense for the same has been met by advertisements, and it is thought that a nominal charge of ten cents per copy will make up the balance needed to pay the printer.

An entertainment given by the school children brought the sum of \$44.56 into the treasury, and this has made it possible to meet all extra charges caused by the rebinding of a large number of old books and periodicals which are of great value, and for which there is a constant call.

The Ladies' Library Association very generously presented their collection of 900 volumes to the free library, and now we have on hand a fund of reading material that no country town need be ashamed of. The library is housed in a comfortable and neat building, which not only is convenient so far as location is concerned, but which will answer the purpose of a library building for years to come. In March 1896 the town appropriated \$475.00 to purchase and repair the building known as the "Dear-born Shop" for the purposes of the library. The amount required for this object was \$428.64, the balance of the appropriation, \$46.36 being uncalled for. The library books have been insured for \$300, and the building for \$350.

JAMES G. ROBERTSON,	}	<i>Trustees of Free Public Library.</i>
ADDISON A. BEAN,		
ALBERT F. B. EDWARDS,		

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Balance on hand March, 1896	.	\$2 40	
Received from literary entertainment, Feb. 1896	.	16 43	
Received from town of Chester, library appropriation	.	100 00	
Received from library entertainment, Nov. 1896	.	44 56	
			\$163 39

EXPENDITURES.

Paid A. H. Wilcomb, periodicals	.	\$13 60	
A. H. Wilcomb, insurance	.	9 19	
Courier Publishing Co., supplies	.	10 75	
F. J. Barnard & Co., re-binding books	.	50 53	
for fuel	.	3 97	
Miss I. H. Fitz, librarian's salary	.	15 00	
Miss I. H. Fitz, cataloging books	.	5 00	
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., new books	.	43 42	
Express charges	.	75	
			\$152 21
Cash in treasurer's hands to balance	.		11 18
			\$163 39

PUBLIC LIBRARY REPAIRS.

Received from town of Chester	.		\$428 64
Paid S. L. Marston, house and lot	.	\$187 50	
L. W. Hall, repairs and materials	.	202 75	
D. A. Simons, table	.	12 00	

C. A. Hoitt & Co., chairs and door-		
mat	.	9 25
S. Johnson, stove	.	9 65
Webster Bros., sundries	.	2 86
C. S. Wilcomb & Son, sundries	.	3 88
Express and standard for stove funnel		75
	————	\$428 64

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. G. ROBERTSON, *Treasurer.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 20, 1897.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the trustees and treasurer of the Free Public Library, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, } *Auditors.*
MARTIN MILLS, }

SCHOOL BOARD.

The schools have all been under the instruction of earnest, faithful teachers ; most of whom have had excellent reasons for considering their work very successful.

It has been very interesting to visit different schools and notice the variety in manners and ways of working which has been exhibited by the ten different teachers employed in town the past year ; each one animated by peculiar views and inspiring the children with more or less of her own character.

While teachers have been carrying out original ideas, or teaching in accustomed ways, they have all seemed alert to consider new ones, if not in all cases thinking best to adopt them.

Miss Hazelton's school led in punctuality of attendance the last term, and the number of parents present examination day.

Dunglison's Physiology has been introduced, and in most of the schools, the Vertical System of Writing has also been adopted, not because it is new, but because it appears to be plainer for a child to learn, and easier to read than the old way was, besides taking less room on paper. A reason of still more importance is that the child must take a good upright position while practicing, instead of leaning over the desk, almost lying down on his book, as some were inclined to do, practicing the old copies.

It has been well said that the price of a good school is thought, effort and money. One cannot expect to hit any mark without taking good aim. Teachers cannot do their best class work without preparation for it, and preparation involves a good deal of thought and looking up of various things in the course of a term.

They also need especially to feel fresh for the starting of school work, not only at the beginning of the term, but every morning from the first day to the last.

The same rule holds good for children. To see that children are able to do well each and every day is the parent's part in the work of helping to make a good school. If any of them think their children can be irregular in attendance or careless in deportment, and yet keep pace with their classmates of about the same natural ability, let them visit the schools and see for themselves.

It does make a difference who is behind a child at home. In several instances teachers have spoken of the help they had from parents.

How it braces up a teacher for her morning's work to see every child on hand a little before nine o'clock.

If a stormy day comes and a man sees fit to harness his horse and take his children to school, or pay a five cent fare on the electric road, could the time or money be better invested?

Is it not a general rule that a man with an education is happier than he could be without it? Is he not less liable to seek enjoyment in vicious indulgences? If these things are true, and parents want their children to be good, useful men and women, is not the school room the place, aside from home, where most of the training must be done?

If it is, does it not pay to make an effort to have all there promptly every day in the term?

Has any one ever thought how large a proportion of the boys in our schools bid fair to grow into "men to make a state?" Will they all reach that high standard, or are there some of the opposite character? If there are, where does individual responsibility come in to help make the most and best of the material we have in our hands?

Every person in town has some influence which is all the time helping society up or down, and everything we do to encourage the formation of correct habits in boys and girls is so much done for the good of this and all succeeding generations.

JAS. G. ROBERTSON, } *School Board*
SARAH P. WEBSTER, } *of Chester.*

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

NO. I. FIRST DIVISION.

Harris M. West,†

Cora E. Hill.

NO. I. SECOND DIVISION.

Lydia F. Woodard,

Grace M. Gile,*

Helen G. Healey,†

Rachel A. Mackintosh,*

Marion C. Webster,†

Lena L. Webster,*

Ruth N. Webster,*

Laura R. Lane,*

Marie E. Thayer,†

Bertie F. Gile,*

Alta E. Edwards,

George C. McDuffee,

Sherburne E. Hazelton,*

Lillie S. Mackintosh,†

Elsie M. Shackford,†

Densmore Neily.

SCHOOL NO. 2.

Ethel M. Green,
 Holly A. Purinton,*
 George Johnson,

Roy W. Purinton,*
 Howard B. Fitz.

SCHOOL NO. 3.

Walter Brown,
 Harry Edwards,†
 Sumner Edwards,†
 Elsie Hardy,
 Lulu Rand,
 Mary J. Whittemore,

George Rand,
 Howard Edwards,*
 Helen M. Edwards,†
 Ina M. Hardy,
 Joseph Edwards.

SCHOOLS NOS. 5 AND 10.

Perley Hazelton,†
 Minnie Hazelton,†
 James Hall,
 Ruth Owen,
 Benjamin Lake,*
 Roy Weeks,*

Lilinner Hall,
 Alvah Cammet,
 George Hazelton
 Alice Maxwell,
 Elmer Allen.
 Bertie Cammett.

SCHOOL NO. 6.

Hazel I. Stowe.

SCHOOL NO. 7.

Charles O. Bursiel,†
 Frankie Warren,†
 Edward Winslow,

J. Stuart Green.
 Emma J. Dorr.

† Indicates perfect attendance two terms.

* Indicates perfect attendance three terms.

EXPENDITURES.

PAID FOR TEACHING.

1896.

June 26,	Cora B Follansbee	.	\$66 00
" 26,	Anna W. McKean	.	66 00
" 26,	Helen N. Galloupe	.	82 50
" 26,	Mary Annette Morse	.	66 00
" 26,	Nellie B. Sleeper .	.	66 00
" 26,	Sara J. Holland .	.	77 00
" 26,	Carrie B. Hazelton	.	77 00
Nov. 12,	Leila A. Seller, .	.	82 50
" 12,	Anna W. McKean	.	66 00
" 14,	Mary Edna Buswell	.	66 00
" 14,	Nellie B. Sleeper .	.	66 00
" 20,	Carrie B. Hazelton	.	84 00
" 20,	Lizzie S. Hooke .	.	84 00
" 20,	Mary Annette Morse	.	72 00

1897.

Jan. 14,	Mary Annette Morse	.	42 00
" 15,	Carrie B. Hazelton	.	49 00
" 15,	Lizzie S. Hooke .	.	49 00
" 21,	Mary Edna Buswell	.	48 00
" 21,	Nellie B. Sleeper .	.	48 00
" 21,	Anna W. McKean	.	48 00
Feb. 5,	Helen N. Galloupe	.	72 00

\$1,377 00

PAID FOR CONVEYING PUPILS.

W. J. Carney . . .	\$22 00
W. W. Lane . . .	20 40
Mrs. K. F. Hopkins . . .	9 50
L. B. Lane . . .	22 00

 \$73 90

FUEL ACCOUNT.

Paid A. E. Leighton . . .	\$1 90
C. N. Fitz . . .	40
C. E. Roberts . . .	1 50
W. W. Lane . . .	2 50
Charles Drowne . . .	25
G. W. Weeks . . .	4 40
G. W. Southwick . . .	3 50
S. L. Marston . . .	4 00
Garland Smith . . .	6 12
Frank Weymouth . . .	1 25
E. E. Gifford . . .	2 28
W. P. W. Whittemore . . .	12 87
Edward West . . .	5 25
A. P. Morse . . .	6 30
C. H. Green . . .	25 00
Matt. Wakefield . . .	75
A. F. B. Edwards . . .	1 00

 \$79 27

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Mrs. M. F. West . . .	\$12 75
Mrs. A. M. Wakefield . . .	2 00
Miss Georgie Abbott . . .	50
Mrs. D. F. Gile . . .	75
E. T. Morse . . .	5 25

 \$21 25

JANITORS' SERVICES.

Paid Mrs. L. S. Hooke . . .	\$ 60
C. B. Hazelton . . .	2 00
E. A. Towle . . .	2 00
M. C. Wakefield . . .	2 00
A. B. Neily . . .	4 00
	\$10 60

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Paid John H. Clay . . .	\$8 30
W. W. Lane . . .	50
I. F. Underhill . . .	2 00
F. L. Bray . . .	18 63
C. A. Nichols . . .	41 00
Mark Sanborn . . .	2 00
W. P. Nichols . . .	3 91
L. S. Hooke . . .	1 40
N. B. Couch . . .	3 15
C. S. Wilcomb & Son . . .	1 98
	\$82 87

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid E. E. Babb & Co. . . .	\$25 73
Werner Co. . . .	11 25
N. J. Bartlett	12 80
D. C. Heath & Co. . . .	2 46
C. R. Mayer	4 00
Ginn & Co. . . .	12 55
The Masten Wells Co. . . .	1 50
Silver, Burdett & Co. . . .	9 33
American Book Co. . . .	7 88
Samuel Ward Co. . . .	1 96
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co. . . .	2 00

University Publishing Co.	.	10	40	
Maynard, Merrill & Co.	.		90	
Boston School Supply Co.	.		75	
R. J. Kimball	.	3	75	
Chas A. Hoitt	.	1	00	
Charles Bartlett	.		35	
C. S. Wilcomb & Son	.	10	55	
Webster Bros	.	1	00	
Express	.	4	74	
				\$124 90

CREDIT.

Received of town of Chester	.	\$123	63	
Received for books sold	.		1	27
				\$124 90

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 20, 1897.

I certify that I have examined the accounts of the school board for the past year, and find them correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, *Auditor*.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

SCHOOL MONEY RECEIVED.

Balance from last year	.		\$83	49	
Cash from town treasurer	.	1,454	60		
Cash from school district of Raymond,					
tuition	.		15	00	
Cash from school district of Derry,					
tuition	.		9	00	
				\$1,562	09

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for teachers' salaries . . .	1,377 00	
For conveyance of pupils . . .	73 90	
For fuel	79 27	
For services of truant officer . . .	5 25	
For miscellaneous bills	16 00	
For janitor service	10 60	
		\$1,562 02
Cash in hands of treasurer to balance		07
		\$1,562 09

EXPENDITURES ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Paid for repairs	82 87	
Cash in hands of treasurer to balance	12 36	
		\$95 23

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year	45 23	
Cash received from town treasurer . . .	50 00	
		\$95 23

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. G. ROBERTSON, *District Treasurer.*

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 20, 1897

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of James G. Robertson, treasurer of the school district of the town of Chester, and find them correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, *Auditor.*

SCHOOL WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, ROCKINGHAM SS.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester School District qualified to vote in district affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said town on Saturday, the thirteenth day of March, 1897, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk.
3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer.
5. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the support of schools in addition to that required by law.
7. To see what the district will do in regard to repairing, furnishing and improving school buildings, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.
8. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
9. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Chester this twentieth day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES G. ROBERTSON, } *School Board*
 SARAH P. WEBSTER, } *of Chester.*

A true copy. Attest—

JAMES G. ROBERTSON, } *School Board*
 SARAH P. WEBSTER, } *of Chester.*

SCHOOL TABLE.

No. of School	Terms	Names of Teachers	No. of weeks	Whole No. of Pupils	No. of Pupils in												
					Reading	Spelling	Penmanship	Arithmetic	Geography	Grammar	History	Composition	Drawing	Vocal Music	Physiology	Bookkeeping	Algebra
Number 1. 1st Div.	Spring...	Miss Helen N. Galloupe..	11	27	27	27	27	27	24	27					27	27	6
	Fall....	Miss Leila A. Seller.....	11	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	19	14			22	22	6
	Winter.	Miss Helen N. Galloupe..	10	20	20	20	20	20	18	20	20	20			20	8	7
Number 1. 2nd Div.	Spring..	Miss Carrie B. Hazelton..	11	29	29	29	26	25	9	5	10						
	Fall....		12	30	30	30	30	26	18						30		
	Winter.		7	21	21	21	21	15	4		4				21		
Number 2.	Spring..	Miss Nellie B. Sleeper....	11	16	16	16	16	16	8	6	1	8	10				
	Fall ...		11	18	18	18	17	9	8	1			9				
	Winter.		8	15	15	15	15	14	7	6	1		9				
Number 3.	Spring..	Miss Sara J. Holland....	11	31	31	31	31	31	19	18	19				20		3
	Fall ...	Mrs. Lizzie S. Hooke....	12	29	29	29	27	27	27	5	16				14	4	
	Winter.		7	28	28	26	26	26	5	14					13	4	
Numbers 5 and 19.	Spring..	Miss Anna W. McKean...	11	19	19	19	19	16	13	12					17	3	
	Fall....		11	17	17	17	17	16	12	11					17	9	
	Winter.		8	14	14	14	14	13	10	8					14	11	
Number 6.	Spring..	Miss Cora B. Follansbee..	11	13	13	13	13	13	7	4	1	2					
	Fall....	Miss Mary Edna Buswell	11	18	18	16	16	16	9	8	2						1
	Winter.		8	12	12	12	10	10	6	6	1						1
Number 7.	Spring..	Miss Mary Annette Morse	11	15	15	15	14	12	9	9	8	9	15			1	
	Fall....		12	17	17	17	16	14	10	7	10						
	Winter.		7	9	9	9	9	9	6	6	6				4		

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS,
1896.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 1896.

Date of birth.	Place of birth.	Name of child (if any.)	Sex & Color		Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
			Male or Female	No. of Child. Living or Stillb.						
Jan. 27	Chester ..	Floyd Clarke.....	M L	6 w	Charles G. McDuffie ..	Veua V. Woodbury..	Chester.....	Bangor, N. Y.....	42 37	
Mar. 4	"	Allen John.....	M L	3 w	John M. Parker.....	Addie C. Underhill..	Candia.....	Chester.....	33 27	
Mar. 12	"	Clara Belle.....	F L	8 w	Carvasso W. Nelly....	Minnie Parker.....	Nova Scotia.....	Nova Scotia.....	41 36	
April 19	"	Bessie.....	F L	3 w	George F. Morse.....	Martha R. Parker....	Chester.....	"	26 25	
June 10	"	Mildred Pearl.....	F L	1 w	Edgar E. Gifford.....	Currie R. Swett.....	Grafton, Mass.....	Derry.....	43 16	
June 12	"		F L	3 w	Willard R. Stowe.....	J. May Vandine.....	"	Maquapit Lake, N.B.	31 31	
Aug. 31	"		F L	1 w	Charles H. Smith.....	Annie L. Dale.....	Chester.....	Chester.....	30 20	
Oct. 23	"	Irma Olive.....	F L	3 w	Edwin P. Jones.....	Olive B. Hazelton....	"	Boxford, Mass.....	33 31	
Nov. 5	"	Clarence Isaac.....	M L	4 w	Austin Owen.....	Sophia A.....	England.....	Detroit, Mich.....	36 37	
Nov. 13	"	Karl.....	M L	1 w	Wm. S. Hazelton.....	Alice B. Abbott.....	Auburn.....	Chester.....	41 20	
Dec. 13	"		M L	1 w	George M. Newhall....	Alice F. Earnham....	Middletown, Conn..	Dunstable, Mass....	31 23	
Dec. 18	"		M L	1 w	William H. West, 2nd	Laura B. Morse.....	Chester.....	Chester.....	29 20	

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 1896.

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Bride and Groom.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age of each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Condition.	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom Married.
1896									
Dec. 3		William Band..... and Elizabeth Rand.....	Chester.....	73 w	Farmer ..	Chester.....	William..... Elizabeth Forsaith.... James Andrews..... Martha Chawley.....		Theodore C. Pratt, Clergyman, Candia.

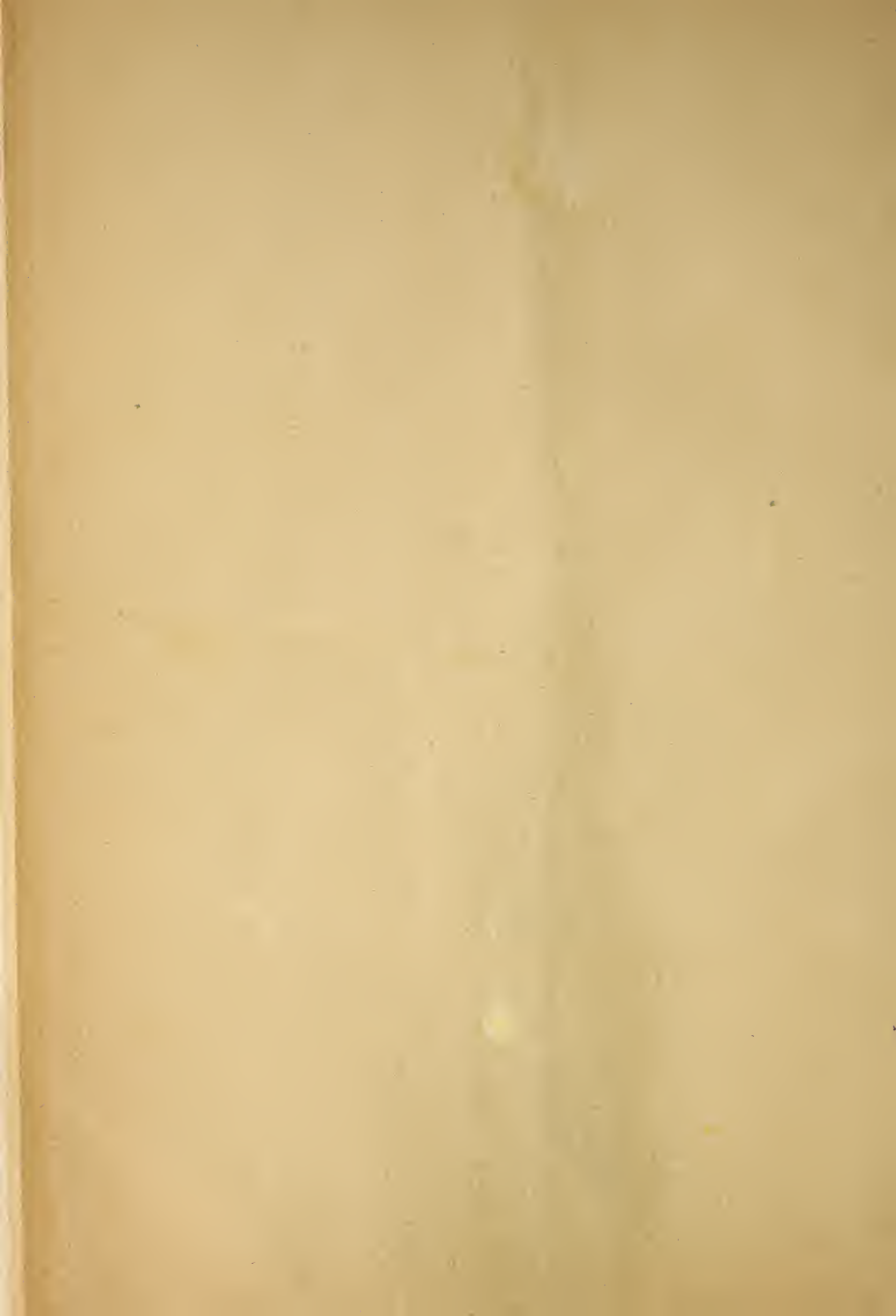
DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER, FOR THE YEAR ENDING, Dec. 31, 1896.

Date, 1896.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex Con.			Occupation.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.
			Years.	Months.	Days.	Sex.	Color.	Single, etc.			
Jan. 11	Chester	Elizabeth Carney	15			F	S		Nurse	William J. Carney	Nora Hawes
Mar. 8	"	Adaline M. Smith	76	4	11	F	S			William Bell	Mary McMaisters
10	"	Mary J. Freeman	85	7	4	F	W			George P. Norton	Annastasia Dooley
17	"	Elizabeth Crawford	26			F	W			Herbert L. Chase	Harriet L. Preston
28	"	William Roy Chase	1	2	7	M	S			William J. Carney	Mary Wynn
28	"	Barbara E. Carney	1	6	19	F	S			Stephen Abbott	Polly Towle
Apr. 13	"	Lydell A. Steele	66			F	W		Housekeeper		
May 29	"	Sarah M. Heald	87			F	W			Orlando H. Underhill	Nettie Greenough
May 14	"	William P. Underhill	7	2		F	W			Chas. D. Thompson	Betsy Edgerly
June 3	"	Mary J. Brown	68	7	28	F	W			Joseph	Annie Garland
18	"	Joseph Smith	86	10	26	M	W		Farmer	Samuel S.	Mary M. Wentworth
Aug. 23	"	William S. Parker	37	3	3	M	W		Shoemaker	John	Sally Purdy
Sept. 6	"	William D. Smith	79	7	4	M	W		Farmer	Edgar E. Gifford	Abigail Turner Locke
Sept. 24	"	Henry Moore	74			M	W			James M.	Carrie R. Swett
Oct. 15	"	Mildred P. Gifford	5	24		F	S				Fannie M. Brown
Nov. 3	"	James B. Kent	73	7		M	W				
Nov. 15	"	Henry Mathewson	48			M	W				
Nov. 15	"	Charles M. Buxton	79	10		F	S				
Dec. 11	"	William Crawford	73	11	2	M	W		Farmer	Robert	Dolly Chase

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to my best knowledge and belief.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, *Town Clerk.*







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